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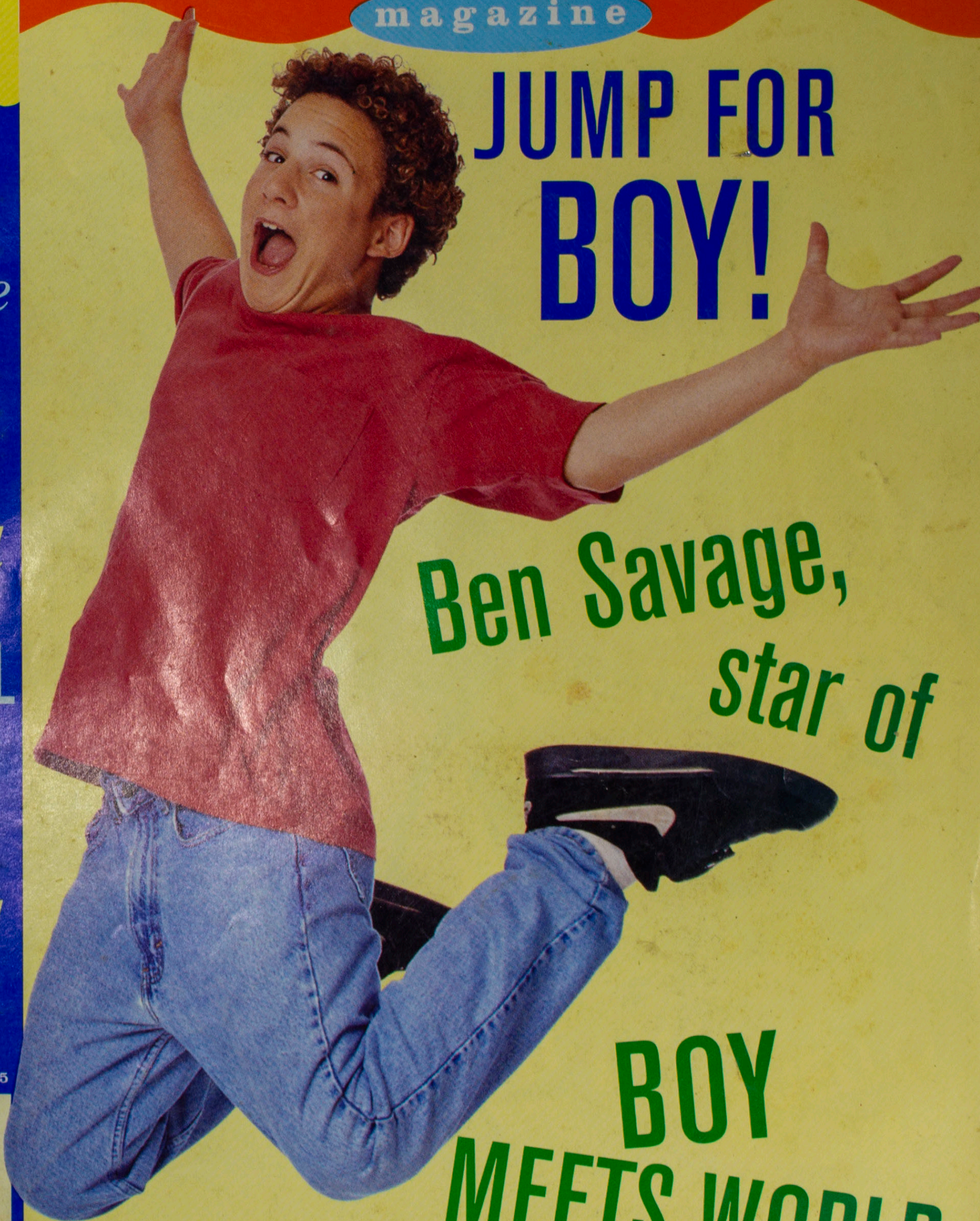
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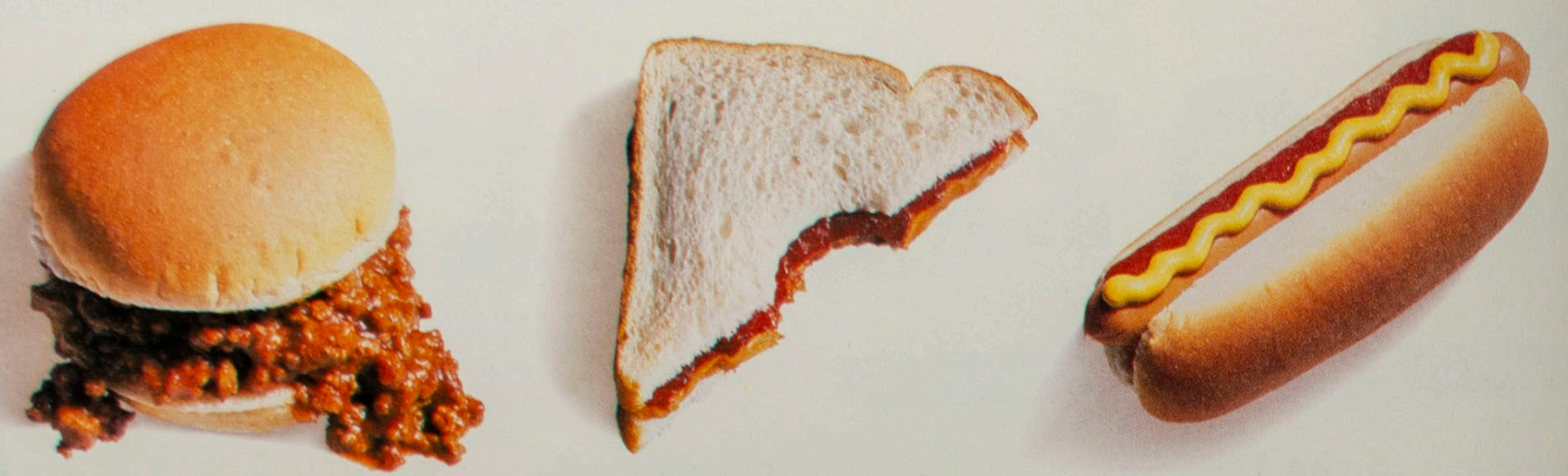
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# Letters TO THE EDITORS

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Dear Nick Mag,  
I love your magazine, but in the last two issues, I didn't get an "Ask the Boss Lady." I liked that column. Please don't forget next time!

Katie D, age 8  
Riverview, Michigan

Dear Katie,  
"Ask the Boss Lady" has moved to the Ooze News section. If you check your last two issues, you should find her there. If not, contact the Bureau of Missing Boss Ladies.

Dear Nick Mag,  
I hear you work on Broadway. Do you work on the Broadway where all the Broadway shows are done?  
Jessica M., age 10  
Bay Shore, New York

Dear Jessica,  
Yes, we work on Broadway, where all the Broadway shows are done. After work, we go to our second jobs, changing the litter for the musical Cats.

Dear Nick Mag,  
In your June/July issue, on page four, what's the art intern doing with pants on at the beach?

Elizabeth J., age 9  
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Elizabeth,  
It was so warm that she started pant-ing.

Dear Nick Mag,  
My favorite page is the answer page. What's yours?

Caitlin C., age 8  
Lorain, Ohio

Dear Caitlin,  
We love all our pages equally. (We have to say that, or one of them might get mad.)

Dear Nick Mag,  
I'm a strong believer in animal rights and I don't eat meat. In your April/May 1995 issue, the comic "I Threw Some Meat into the Pond" got on my nerves. Seeing things like that makes me sick. But other than that, your magazine is great.

A crazy animal rights activist  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Crazy,  
After receiving your letter, we were so sorry that we threw ourselves into the pond. P.S. Ignore the bologna sandwiches in this issue.

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- |   |   |  |
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| T | F | We can see a rotating restaurant from our window.                  |
| T | F | QZ is our new receptionist.  |
| T | F | Ferguson from <i>Clarissa Explains It All</i> works down the hall. |
| T | F | We watch boats on the Hudson River during meetings.                |
| T | F | There are no stains on the carpet.                                 |
| T | F | There are TVs hanging from the ceiling.                            |
| T | F | We have a kitchen with a soft-serve ice-cream machine.             |
| T | F | The toilets actually work.   |



Hello to you from our new offices.

## Summing Up Summer

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- |                                     |                                    |
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| — Get a pebble stuck in your sandal | — Fall off a bike                  |
| — Sleep outdoors                    | — Have ice cream fall off the cone |
| — Swallow pool water                | — Do a belly flop                  |
| — Mow the grass                     | — Feel carsick                     |
| — Get sand in your bathing suit     | — Have mosquito bites              |
| — Lose a ball                       | — Pee in the ocean                 |
| — Stub your toe                     | — Get sunburned                    |
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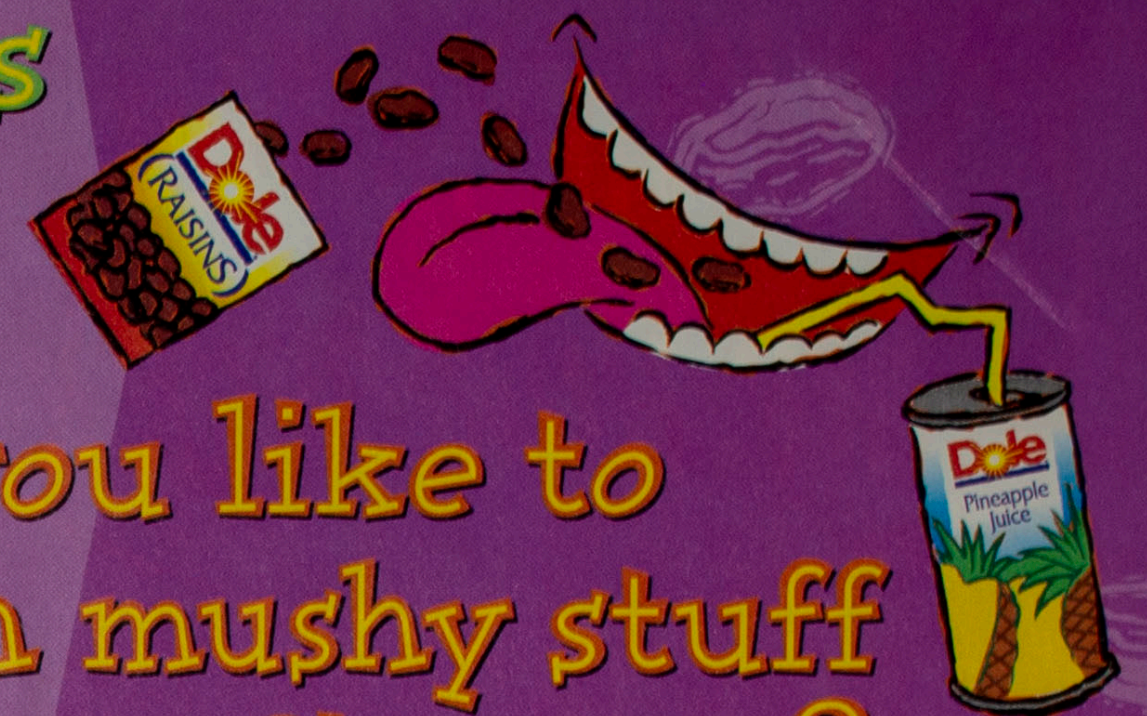
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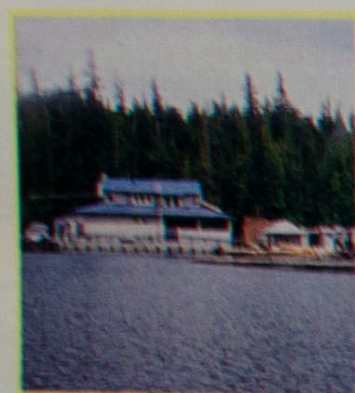
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# A Whale Ate My Homework

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## Pencil Overboard!



**ALASKA's J.R. Gildersleeve School** is located on the J.R. Gildersleeve Camp (left), a floating logging camp that's home to 10 lumberjack families. The camp is pulled by a tugboat along the Alaskan coast. It anchors in coves while the lumberjacks go ashore and cut trees. When they're finished, the camp travels to a new area. Fifteen kids attend the school, including Beth Y., a sixth-grader, and Chris E., a seventh-grader.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** Do you get seasick in school?  
**Chris E.:** Only when it's really rough, with three- or four-foot waves, or when there are 60-mile-per-hour winds.

**NM:** Do you have to wear life vests in class?  
**Beth Y.:** No, but when we're walking around on the camp, we have to wear one. When we pass the swim test (usually in the eighth grade), we can stop wearing them.

**NM:** Do people ever fall in the water?  
**BY:** Lots of people have.

**NM:** What can you see out your window?  
**CE:** Whales. We get humpback and killer whales. The humpbacks are huge. They're bigger than the school.

**NM:** What is the floating camp like?

What's it like to go to school in the Arctic Circle? Or in a castle? **NICKELODEON MAGAZINE's Carmen Morais** found out when she talked to students and teachers in some very unusual classrooms around the world.

**CE:** The houses look like normal houses on land. They sit on round logs that are tied together with cables. The whole community is 600 feet long.

**NM:** Does it get cold up there?

**BY:** It snows a lot. We get a few feet of snow in just one storm sometimes. We don't get those days off—we still go to school.

**NM:** On a scale of 1 to 10, with 10 being the best, what do you think of this homework excuse: "A whale ate it."  
**CE:** A 10. You could feed your homework to the whales if you wanted to.

**NM:** How about: "The table was rocking too much."  
**BY:** A 9. That happens often.



Do They Have to Log On? These kids in Alaska float through school.



## Do They Have Knight School?

If you visit the 700-year-old castle in Neubeuern, **GERMANY** (below), you wouldn't meet a king or queen. But you would meet the 200 kids who attend Schloss Neubeuern School, a boarding school for grades 5 through 13 (schools in Germany have an extra grade). Dr. Reiner Schmähling was the headmaster for 11 years.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** If kids are bad, do you send them to the dungeon?

**Dr. Reiner Schmähling:** No. If students get in trouble, they have to do community work. Or, if they've done something really bad, they might get expelled.

**NM:** Is jousting one of the school sports?

**RS:** Unfortunately, no. We don't have horses.

**NM:** What sports do you have?

**RS:** We're just a half-hour away from a ski area, so we ski almost every weekend.

**NM:** Is your castle haunted?

**RS:** We have our own ghost called the Blue Woman. We don't know who she is. Both students and teachers claim to have heard or felt her presence. Some say she is the wife of a former owner of the castle.

**NM:** On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think of this homework excuse: "The Blue Woman told me not to do it."

**RS:** A good one. An 8 or a 9, because it's funny.



In Search of the Holy Grade: Their classroom is their castle.

## Go to the Head of the Continent!



North America's northernmost community is in **CANADA**, a thousand miles from the North Pole. It's the Inuit village of Grise Fiord (population 135) and it's very small—you can walk

from one end of town to the other in just six minutes. The town's one school, Umimmak School, has 59 students from kindergarten to 10th grade. Two of them are 10th-graders Adeline M. and Susie K. The principal is Harry Kielly.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** Where is it warmer: inside your refrigerator, or outside your classroom?

**Adeline M.:** Inside the refrigerator.

**NM:** How cold does it get up there?

**Harry Kielly:** In January and February, it goes down to -40°F. Exposed flesh freezes in 30 seconds, so you have to be careful.

**NM:** What's it look like in the winter?

**AM:** We don't see the sun from the middle of November until late January.

**Susie K.:** And in the summer, the sun doesn't set from the middle of April until July.

**NM:** Do you have a lot of snow days at school?

**HK:** Once or twice a year, we lose a day of school due to snow, if it blows hard. You get a "whiteout" then.

**NM:** On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think of the following homework excuse: "My sled dog ate it."

**SK:** I wouldn't believe it.



Too Cool For School? Not in the Arctic Circle.



## Sailing Through Class



Carolyn N. and her sister Melanie have never lived on dry land. They've lived their whole lives on their parents' sailboat, going back and forth between **VIRGINIA** and **THE BAHAMAS**. The boat is more than their house—it's also their school. Carolyn is in the 9th grade and Melanie (left) is in the 11th grade.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** What do you get instead of snow days?

**Carolyn N.:** If it's rough weather and the boat rocks too much, then sometimes it's hard to have school.

**NM:** What do you do during rough seas?

**CN:** I stay downstairs and pick up things that fall.

**NM:** What kind of boat is it?

**CN:** A 47-foot sailboat. It has two bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen, and a main cabin where we eat and do schoolwork. It's named *Chez Nous*, which means "Our House" in French.

**NM:** Do you ever get seasick?

**CN:** Yes. I'm kind of outgrowing it.

**Melanie N.:** No. Everyone else gets seasick but me.

**NM:** Do you ever want to yell, "All hands on deck!" during a test?

**CN:** I never thought about that one. I've had to leave a test behind to put up sails.

**NM:** Do both your parents teach?

**CN:** My dad teaches history and science. My mom teaches French and math.

**NM:** Who grades your tests?

**CN:** We mail them to a school. It takes about 10 days to get them back. Sometimes the teachers will make comments. They also write me letters telling me how I can do better.

**NM:** Which subjects do you wish you could toss overboard?

**MN:** Geometry.

**CN:** Math.

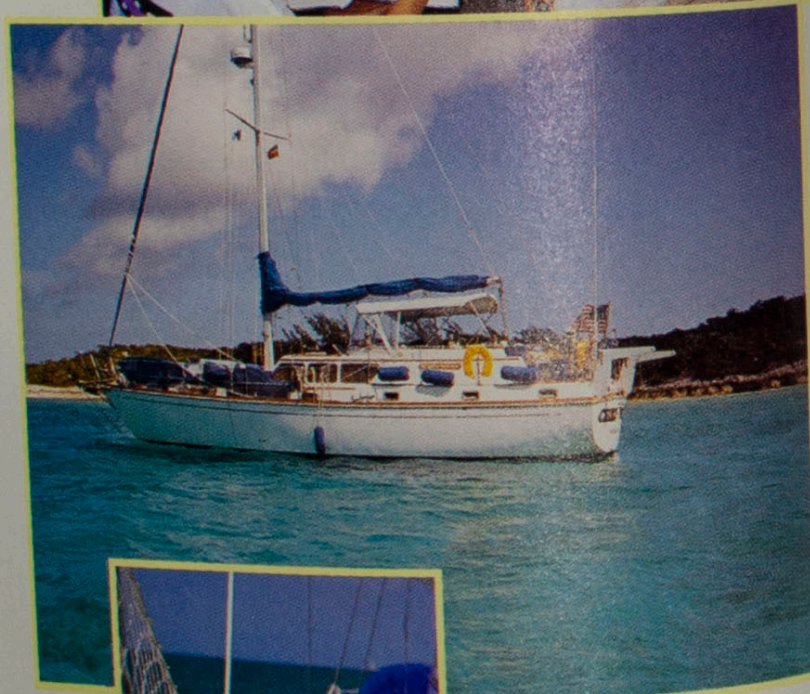
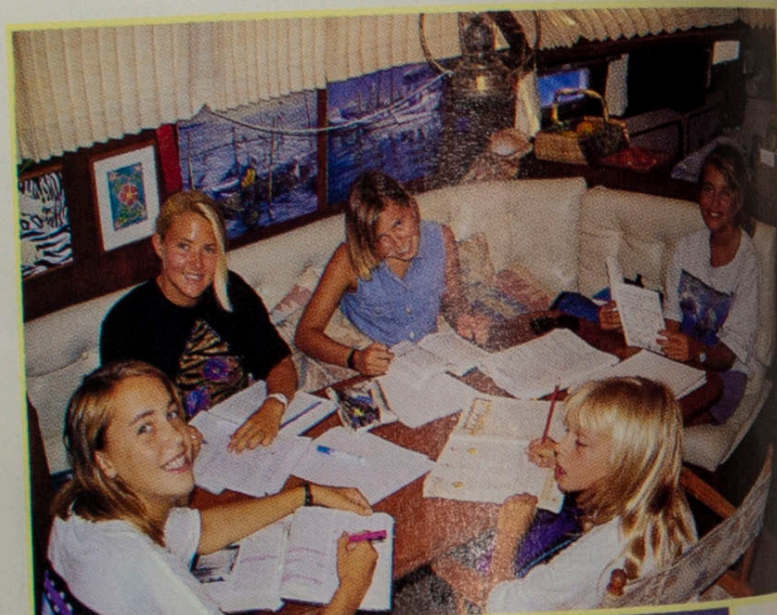
**NM:** What's the best excuse a sailboat kid can give for not doing his or her homework?

**CN:** That you got seasick.

**MN:** A shark ate it.

**NM:** On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think of this excuse: "I forgot my homework in the Bahamas."

**MN:** That's a pretty good one. A 10.



**Captains of the High ABC's:** Above, Melanie (second from left) and Carolyn (third from left), study with some friends. Middle, their boat, *Chez Nous*. Left, Carolyn and her catch.

What school did that fish go to?



## Tune in or Tune Out

**AUSTRALIA's Outback** is a grassy, dry region that covers more than half of the country (above). It is home to aboriginal and ranching families. But because the families that live there are so spread out, it's impossible for many of the kids to travel to a school. Instead, there is the Alice Springs School of the Air. Each of the school's 110 students tunes in to school on a short-wave radio to get lessons. We spoke to Derek Thomas, the assistant principal, and Elizabeth Richter-Cross, a teacher.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** How can you tell if kids are paying attention if you can't see them?

**Elizabeth Richter-Cross:** You get the kids to talk as a group.

**NM:** How do students get tested and graded?

**Derek Thomas:** They mail their work to us every 10 days. Some families have a plane deliver their mail only once a week. Some families have to drive to get their mail. We grade it and send it back within one week. So it takes about three weeks, from beginning to end. Also, every so often, we have overnight patrols and three-day patrols where the teacher drives out to visit the students. Sometimes we fly there.

**NM:** How often do the students tune in?

**DT:** As a class, they tune in three mornings each week. Then there's a private lesson time for 10 minutes in the afternoon, when each student goes one-on-one with a teacher.

**NM:** What's it like to be on short-wave radio?

**DT:** When it works, it's great. But when it doesn't, it's frustrating. Sometimes, when the reception is bad, you can only hear one kid.

**NM:** What's the best excuse your students have given for not doing their homework?

**DT:** "I sent it three weeks ago." And we never really know if they're telling the truth or not, with the system here.

**NM:** Do kids ever turn you off?

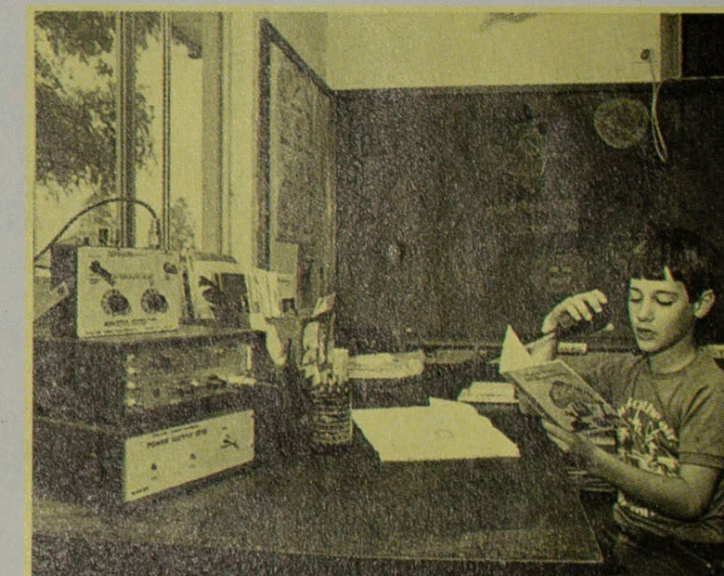
**ERC:** That rarely happens. We just call them right up on the phone, and say, "Turn the radio back on."

**NM:** On a scale of 1 to 10, what do you think of this excuse: "A thorny devil\* ate it."

**ERC:** A 10. I like that one for its originality.

**DT:** I'll only give it a 9, to change it for something better—how about "A mouse plague ate it"? We get a lot of those around here.

\* A lizard native to Australia



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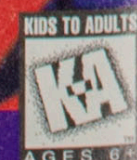
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by David Lewman

Today's Spanish lesson:  
*Yo estoy muy bored-o.*

At exactly

(fill in time here)

we all:

- ☐ cough.
- ☐ scratch our noses.
- ☐ yawn.
- ☐ drop our pencils.

Pass it on.

My foot's asleep,  
and it's dreaming  
about running out  
of here.

Got any

- ☐ gum
- ☐ answers
- ☐ homework
- ☐ clean underwear

I can borrow?

Don't look now, but there's  
a(n).....  
(adjective) (noun)  
underneath your chair.

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Eat this note.



# Are You a Fool For School?

by Julie Winterbottom

You're in school about 180 days a year. But how much do you really know about the place? Take our quiz to find out. Write a "T" or "F" on each line.

1. \_\_\_\_ The first school cafeterias served pencil shavings as a side dish.
2. \_\_\_\_ A child named Wilma Williams attended 265 schools over a period of 10 years.
3. \_\_\_\_ By the time you graduate from high school, you will have spent about 14,000 hours in school.
4. \_\_\_\_ Congress created recess to give teachers time to go to the bathroom.
5. \_\_\_\_ The word "school" comes from the Icelandic word *skoolaut*, which means "to watch the clock very closely."
6. \_\_\_\_ There are about 900 one-room schoolhouses in the U.S.
7. \_\_\_\_ In 1915, teachers in one West Virginia town weren't allowed to date, dye their hair, or loiter in downtown ice-cream stores.
8. \_\_\_\_ In 1992, a teacher in Ohio was arrested for assigning too much homework.
9. \_\_\_\_ In early American schools, kids wrote with twigs dipped in ink.
10. \_\_\_\_ The first oral report was given in 1922 by a sixth-grader in the town of Laryngitis, Pennsylvania.
11. \_\_\_\_ The game of dodgeball was invented by a car company.
12. \_\_\_\_ Early American schoolhouses were painted red because it was the cheapest paint around.
13. \_\_\_\_ Substitute teachers have a 20 percent shorter life expectancy than the average American.
14. \_\_\_\_ In the 1920s, teachers danced to jazz bands in the teachers' lounge at lunchtime.
15. \_\_\_\_ In remote areas of Oklahoma, kids must raise both hands when they have the answer.
16. \_\_\_\_ In many states, you or your parents can be arrested if you don't attend school.
17. \_\_\_\_ Prehistoric children rode to school on yellow woolly mammoths.
18. \_\_\_\_ Left-handed writing was not allowed in early American schools.
19. \_\_\_\_ In the 1800s, students had to recite tongue twisters in class.
20. \_\_\_\_ In North Dakota, your dog can attend school in your place.

Answers on page 63.

And in South Dakota, kids have to chase the mailman.



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# Are You a Fool For School?

by Julie Winterbottom

You're in school about 180 days a year. But how much do you really know about the place? Take our quiz to find out. Write a "T" or "F" on each line.

1. \_\_\_ The first school cafeterias served pencil shavings as a side dish.
2. \_\_\_ A child named Wilma Williams attended 265 schools over a period of 10 years.
3. \_\_\_ By the time you graduate from high school, you will have spent about 14,000 hours in school.
4. \_\_\_ Congress created recess to give teachers time to go to the bathroom.
5. \_\_\_ The word "school" comes from the Icelandic word *skoolaut*, which means "to watch the clock very closely."
6. \_\_\_ There are about 900 one-room schoolhouses in the U.S.
7. \_\_\_ In 1915, teachers in one West
11. \_\_\_ The game of dodgeball was invented by a car company.
12. \_\_\_ Early American schoolhouses were painted red because it was the cheapest paint around.
13. \_\_\_ Substitute teachers have a 20 percent shorter life expectancy than the average American.
14. \_\_\_ In the 1920s, teachers danced to jazz bands in the teachers' lounge at lunchtime.
15. \_\_\_ In remote areas of Oklahoma, kids must raise both hands when they have the answer.
16. \_\_\_ In many states, you or your parents can be arrested if you don't attend school.

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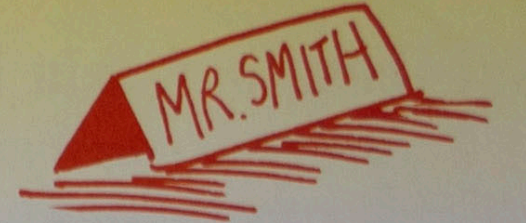
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### Italian

I wasn't sleeping. I was just resting my eyes.  
Non dormivo. Stavo soltanto riposando gli occhi.  
nonn door-ME-voh. STAH-voe sol-TAHN-toe REE-po-  
sahn-doe yee O-kyee.

Will this be on the test?  
Questo sarà sull'esame?  
KWEH-stoh sah-RAH SUE-leh-sah-meh?

My homework ate my dog.  
Il mio compito ha mangiato il mio cane.  
eel ME-oh com-pee-toe ah mahn-JAH-toe eel ME-oh  
CAH-neh.

### Arabic\*

I wasn't sleeping. I was just resting my eyes.  
أنا لم أكن نائما. أنا كنت فقط أريح عيني.  
AH-na lam AH-coon NA-yem. AH-na kont FA-caht ah-  
REE-eh EYE-nee.

Will this be on the test?  
هل سيكون هذا في الإختبار?  
hull say-a-COON HA-tha fee al-ehk-te-BAR?

My homework ate my dog.  
واجبي أكل كلبتي.  
WA-gee-bee AH-kel KEL-bee.

\* Arabic is written from right to left.

### Greek

I wasn't sleeping. I was just resting my eyes.  
Δεν κοιμόμουν. Απλώς ξεκούραζα τα μάτια μου.  
then kee-MOH-moo-nah. ap-LOS kse-KU-rah-za  
ta MA-ti-a moo.

Will this be on the test?  
Αυτό θα είναι στην εξέταση;  
ahf-TO tha EE-neh steen ex-EH-ta-si?

My homework ate my dog.  
Έφαγε η εργασία μου το σκύλο μου.  
EF-a-yeh ee er-gha-SEE-ah moo toh SKEE-loh moo.

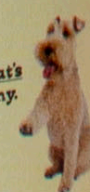
### Chinese (Mandarin)

I wasn't sleeping. I was just resting my eyes.  
我沒有睡覺。我的眼睛在休息。  
wo MAY yo shu-AY ji-OW. wo duh yan JING zai  
she-OH she.

Will this be on the test?  
考試上會有這個嗎?  
cow shirr shang hu-AY yo ju-AH ga ma?

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# Chalk One Up

by David Lewman



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"Did you know, \_\_\_\_\_, that there are two kinds of chalk? The cheap stuff is made from plaster of paris. The fancier, dust-free chalk is made from limestone, a type of rock."

"Did you know, \_\_\_\_\_, that some kinds of chalk began as ooze? Around 135 million years ago, tiny shells and microscopic plants fell into mud on the ocean floor. They combined with the mud to form a thick ooze. Over millions of years, the ooze hardened into limestone."

"Did you ever wonder, \_\_\_\_\_, how many sticks of chalk there are in America? Well, one of the biggest chalk companies makes about 100 million sticks a year. If the average stick of chalk is three and a half inches long, that comes out to 5,600 miles of chalk!"





# Doubletalk

By Craig Hansen

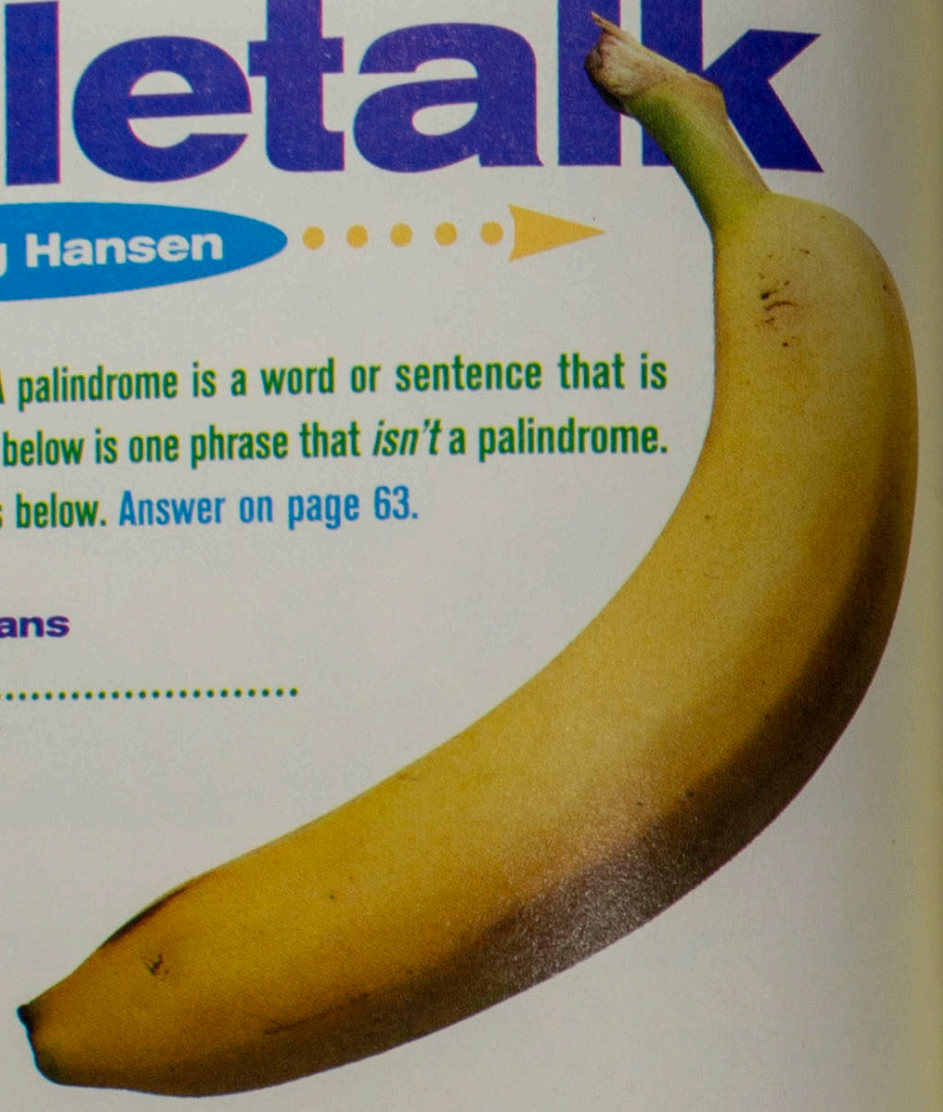
"Otto" is more than a name—it's also a palindrome. A palindrome is a word or sentence that is spelled the same way backwards and forwards. Hidden below is one phrase that *isn't* a palindrome. To find it, write each phrase backwards on the spaces below. Answer on page 63.

Tangy gnat

Snack cans

Teammates eat meat

Ana, nab a banana



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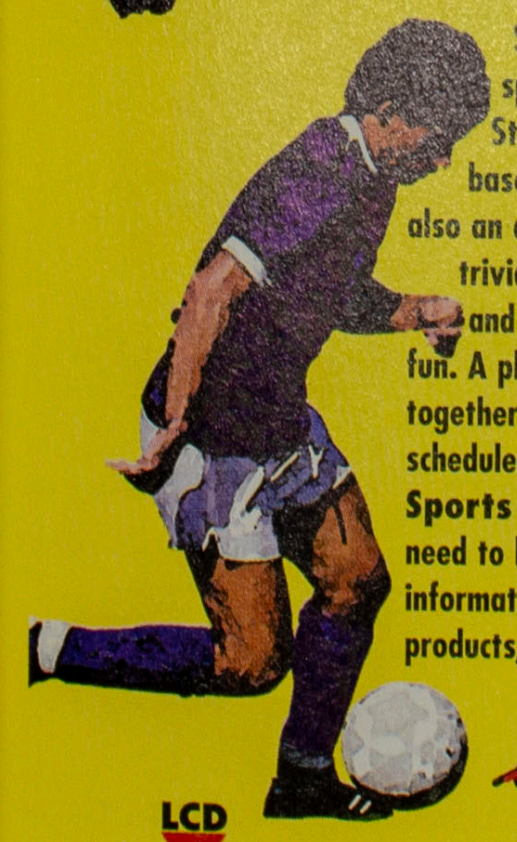
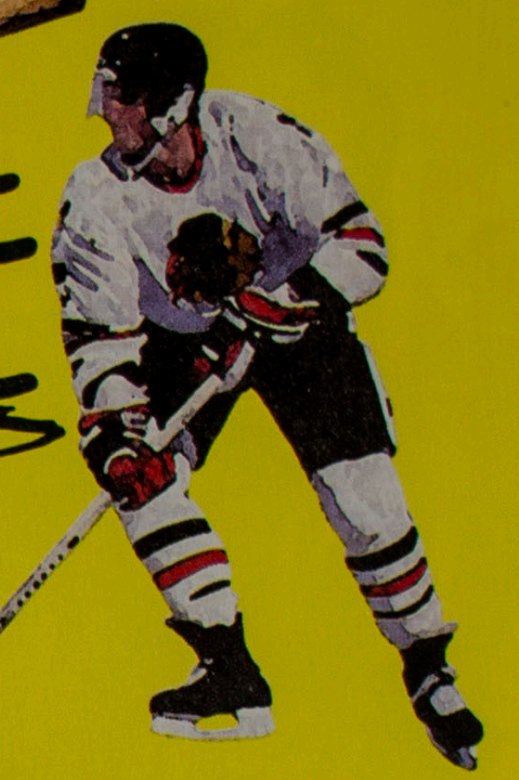
Jason was stretching so his legs would be \_\_\_\_\_  
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for the basketball game. \_\_\_\_\_ was nervous—he could  
(34) \_\_\_\_\_  
jump \_\_\_\_\_, but the opposing forward, Henry \_\_\_\_\_  
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Hamilton, could jump higher. "Don't worry," said Jason's  
devilish friend \_\_\_\_\_, "I'll stick a \_\_\_\_\_ of gum to Hog's  
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\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ be as earthbound as a fat \_\_\_\_\_  
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Jason laughed and let out a \_\_\_\_\_, "No thanks," he  
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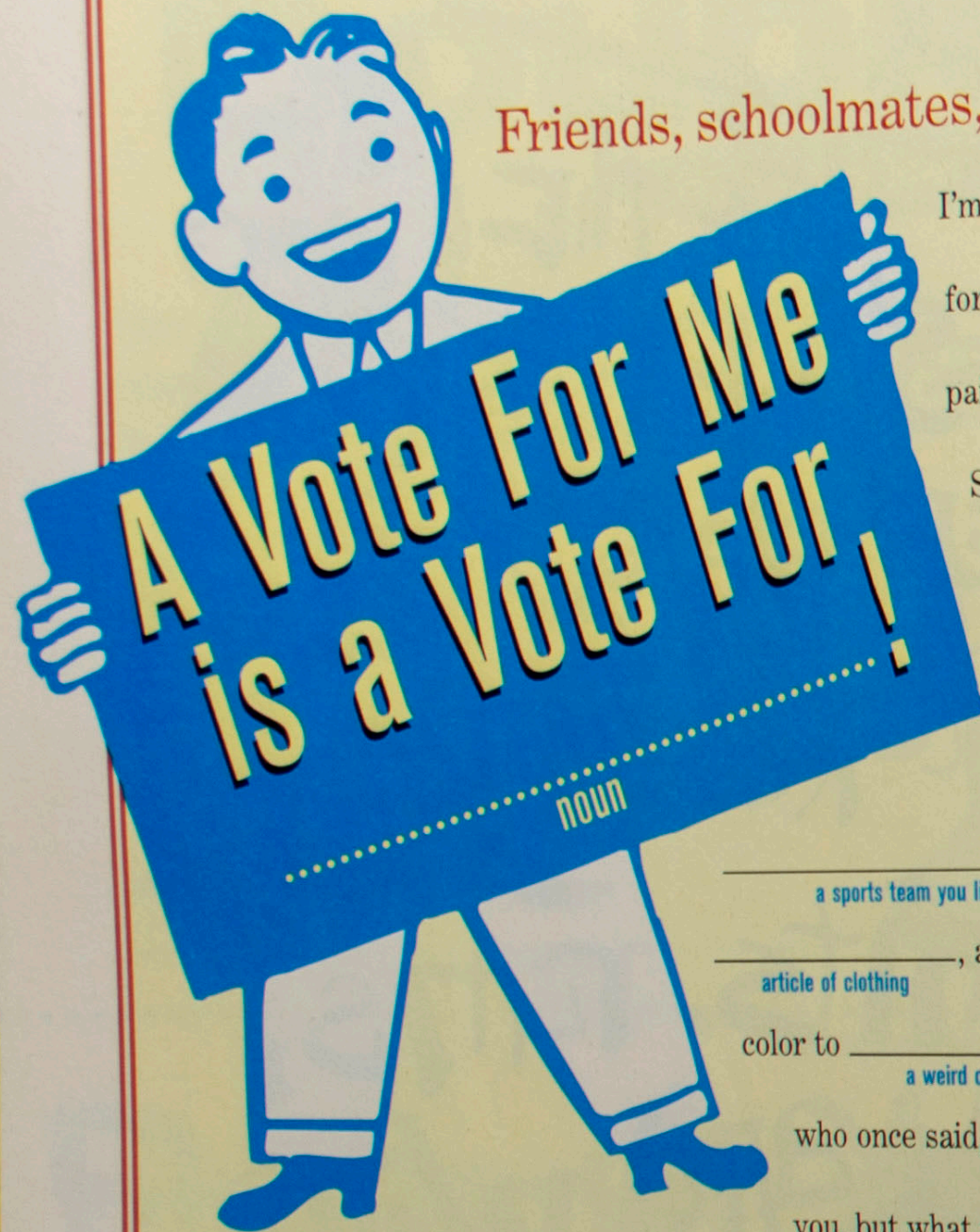
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name of your school

for several reasons. First of all, I feel your pain. And I want to do something about it.

Schoolmates, now is the time for change. If

elected, I will change the name of this place

to The \_\_\_\_\_ School. I will

your first name

request that the teachers be replaced by

\_\_\_\_\_ . The principal needs to change his/her

a sports team you like

\_\_\_\_\_ , at once! The janitor needs to change his/her hair

article of clothing

color to \_\_\_\_\_ . I think it was \_\_\_\_\_

a weird color

a past U.S. president

who once said, "Ask not what \_\_\_\_\_ can do for

famous singer

you, but what you can do for \_\_\_\_\_ ."

famous movie star

One thing I can do is demand that each student be driven to school by limousine. My unworthy,

\_\_\_\_\_ opponent would have us walk until the bottoms of our feet looked like raw \_\_\_\_\_

adjective

adjective

\_\_\_\_\_ . My opponent wants us to invade \_\_\_\_\_ , while I say we

luncheon meat

another school

simply buy it. He/she wants us to eat \_\_\_\_\_ three times a day; I'll have my opponent \_\_\_\_\_

terrible food

verb

in that food.

I think it was \_\_\_\_\_ who promised every American a chicken in every pot and two

another past U.S. president

cars in every garage. Well, I promise you a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ in every desk and \_\_\_\_\_ s

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A WING, A BREAST, A THIGH, AND A DRUMSTICK ON THE RUN IN A WORLD THAT HUNGERS FOR THEIR FLESH!

AFTER A CLOSE BRUSH WITH THE LAW IN BUFFALO, N.Y., THE BOYS ARE ONCE AGAIN RESCUED BY THEIR GOOD FRIEND, BINKY. AFTER BEING SENT ALOFT IN ONE OF BINKY'S MAKESHIFT BALLOONS, THEY FIND THEMSELVES LOSING ALTITUDE OVER UNKNOWN TERRITORY.

HEY GUYS, WE'RE DIPPIN' DOWN KINDA LOW! TRY THROWING OUT SOME BALLAST...

\* EXCESS WEIGHT

I DON'T THINK OUR WEIGHT IS THE PROBLEM! WE'RE ATTACHED TO SOME KIND OF HOOK!

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HUH?

HEY GUYS, I GOTTA TALK TO YOU!

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HELLPPP!

TAKE IT EASY, FELLAS, I'M NOT GONNA HURT YOU!

JUST A SECOND NOW, I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING!

MY NAME IS FRANKIE FEATHERS. I'M A TALENT AGENT FOR A BIG COMPANY. I JUST KNEW YOU GUYS WOULD BE PERFECT FOR SHOW BUSINESS WHEN I HEARD ABOUT YOU ON TV!

US? ON TV?

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\* SEE LAST ISSUE

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SOON, IN "THE BIG APPLE" (N.Y. CITY)

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BEATS ME!

RELAX FELLAS! WE'RE JUST TRYING TO FIND THE RIGHT "LOOK!"

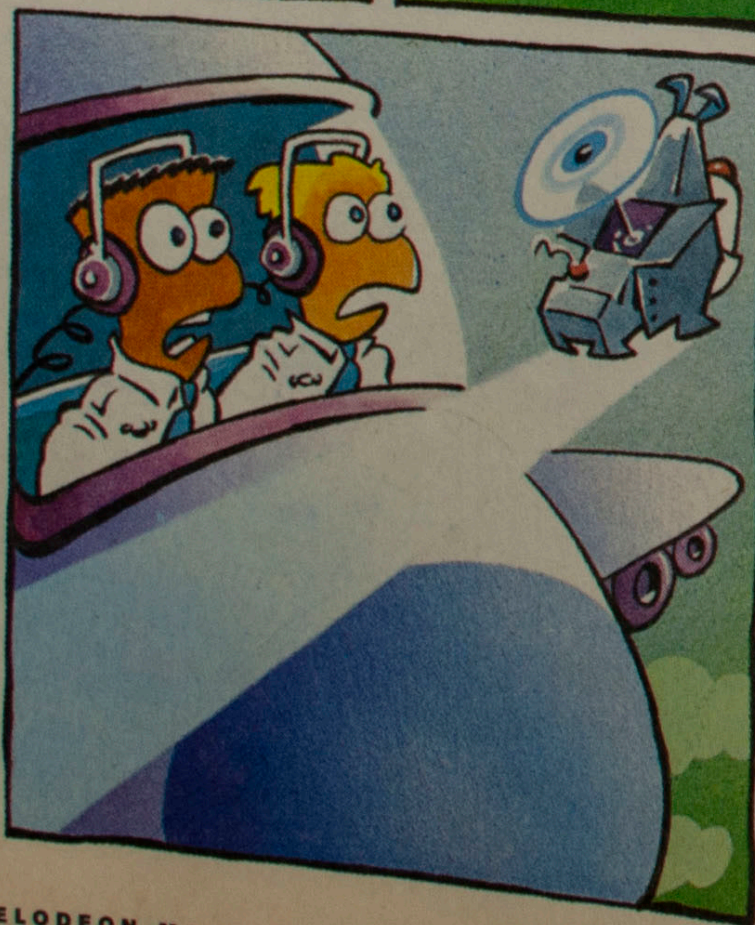
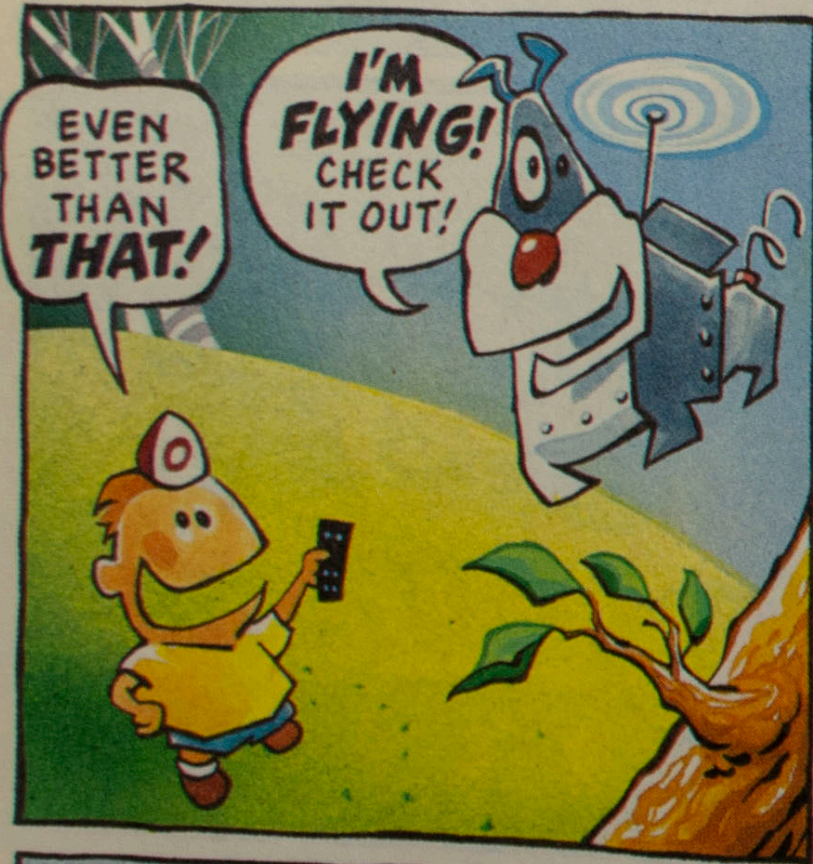
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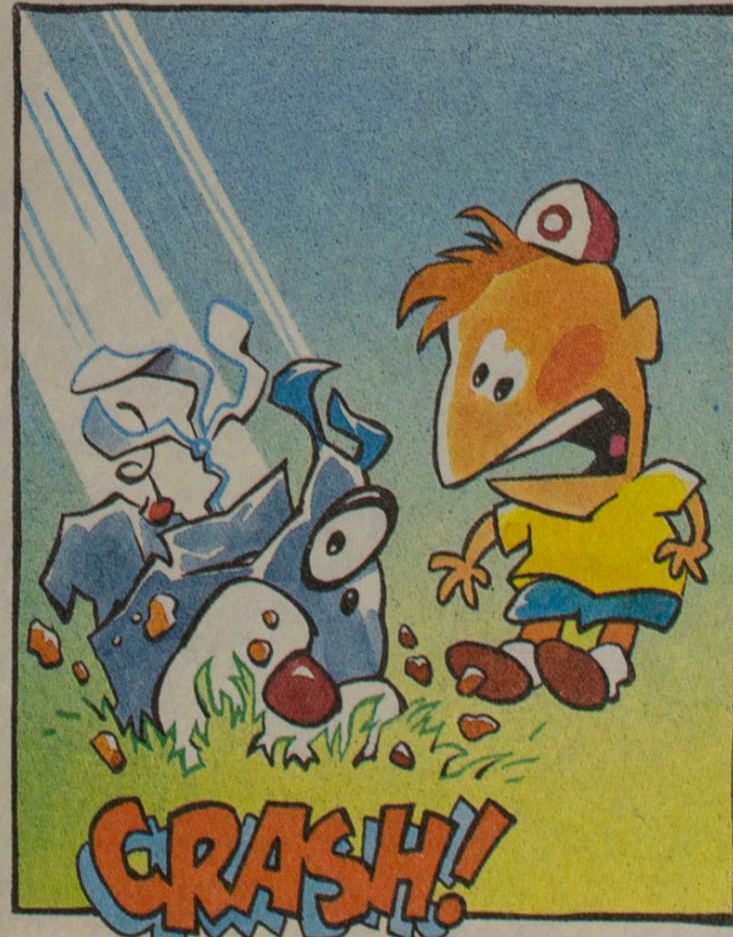
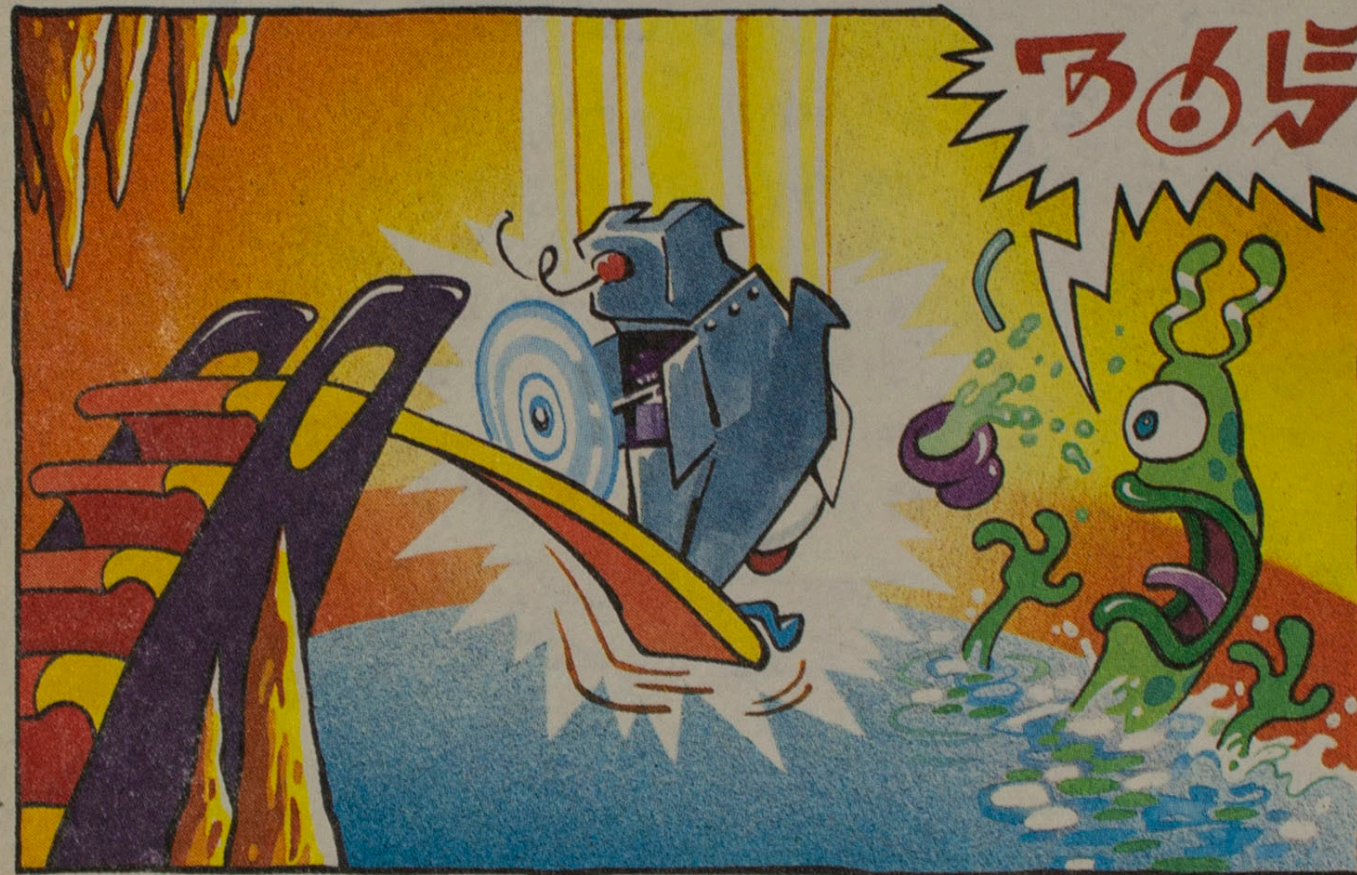
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I love it when my students shower me with gross gifties.

Stinkweed? Wherever did you find it?

Look at me when I'm talking to you! Do not let your eyes wander.

Oops! Sorry!



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Always be ready to lend a hand.

Where did you get those big, beautiful, brown boils?

I'll need it back by Thursday.

I'm sorry, sir. You'll have to wash the dishes.

Take me to lunch and pick up the check. (Don't get caught short of toenails!)

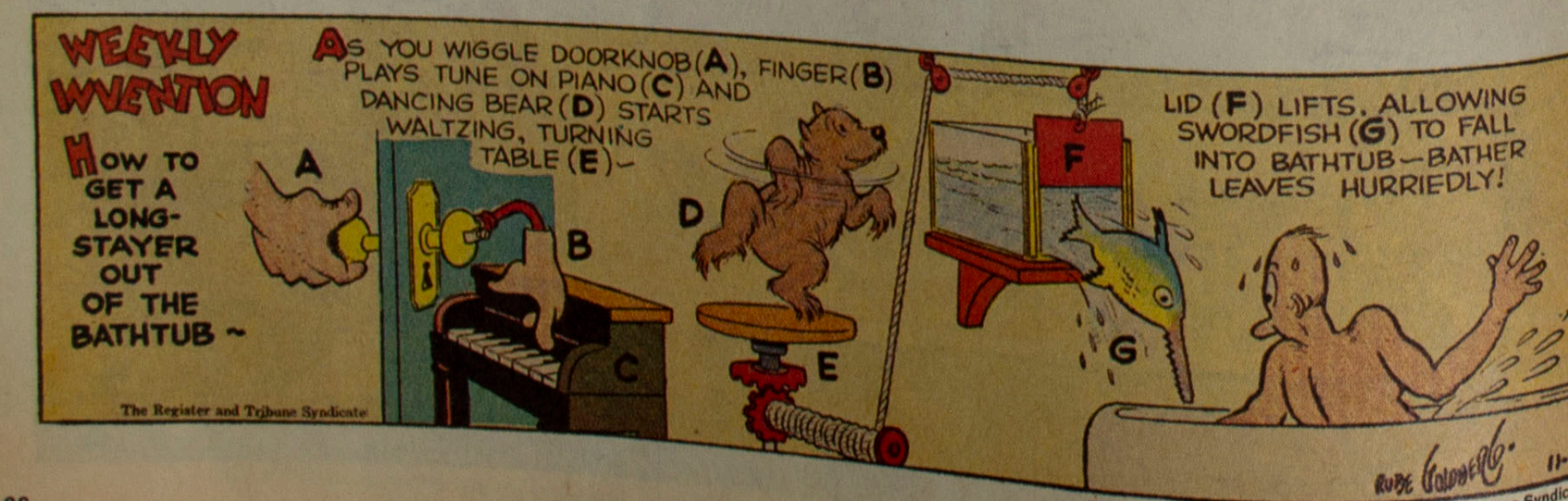
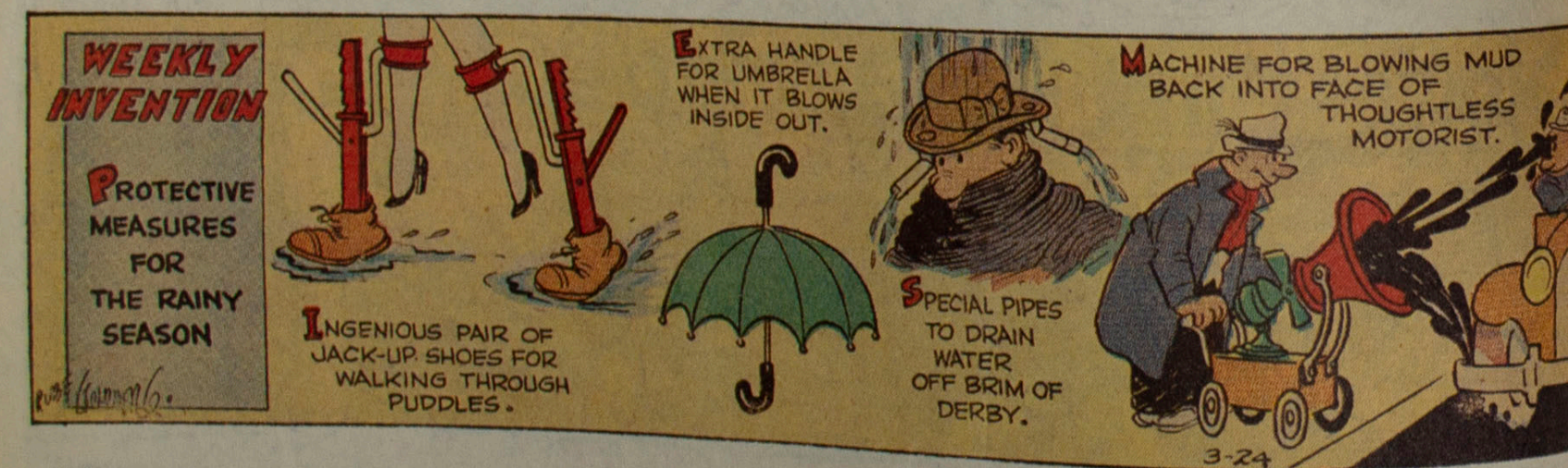
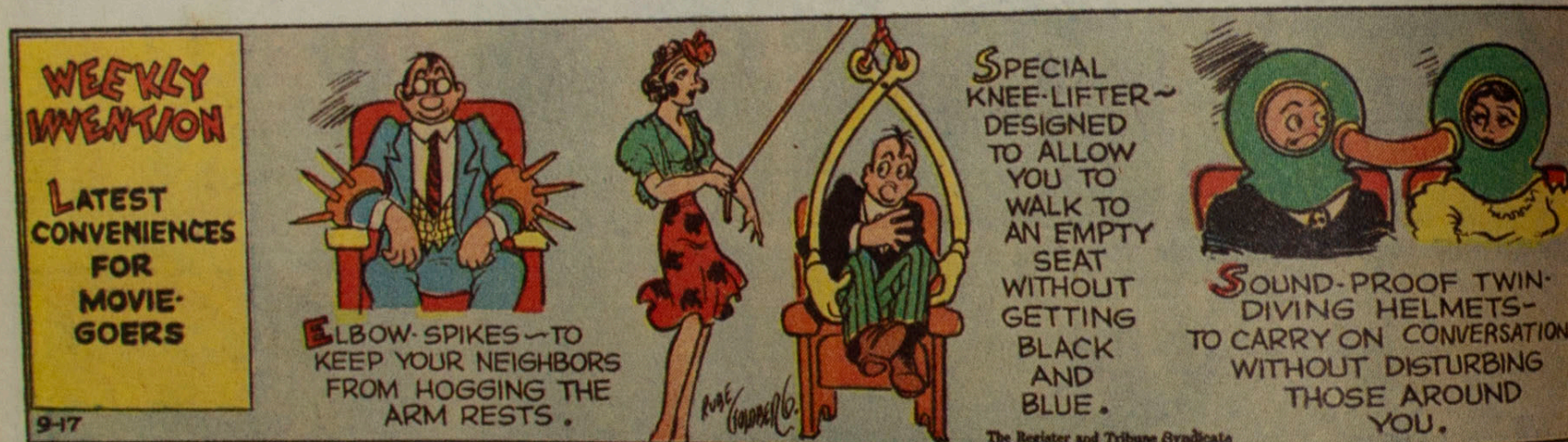
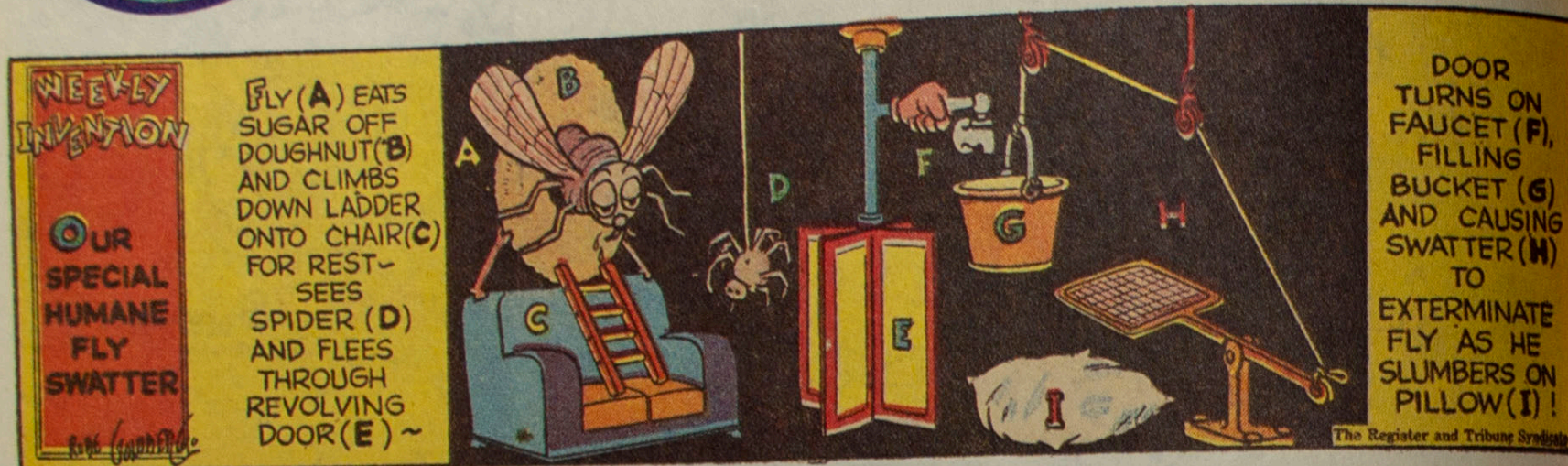
Can I lick them instead?

If you learn to please my putrid nature, there's no telling how far you can crawl up the ladder of success, my loathsome lovelies!





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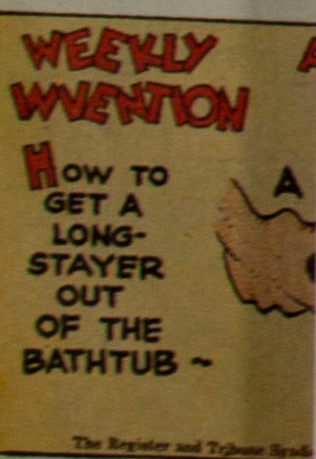
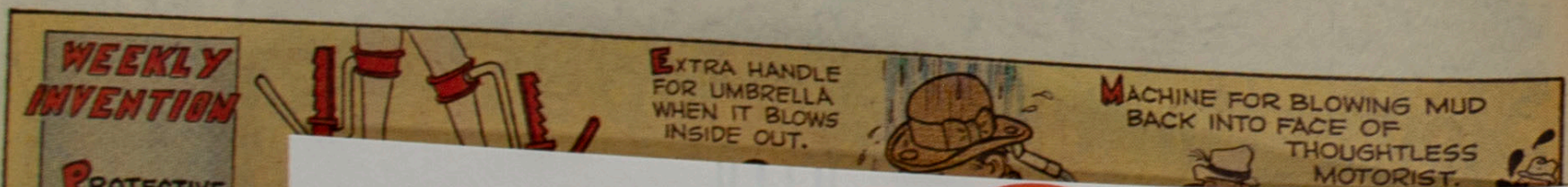
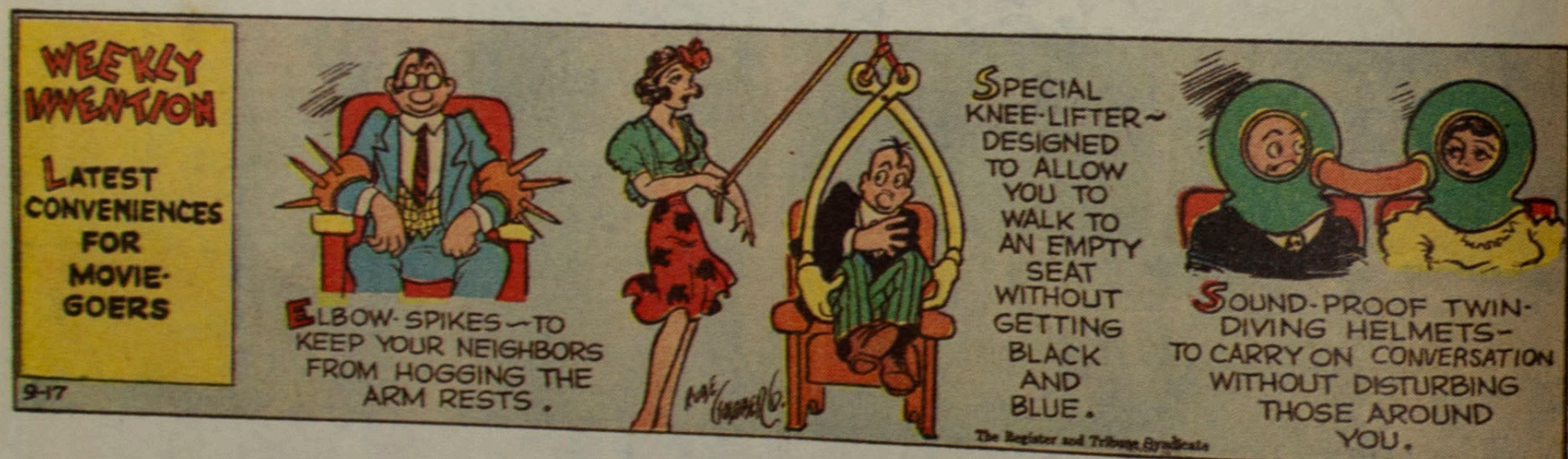
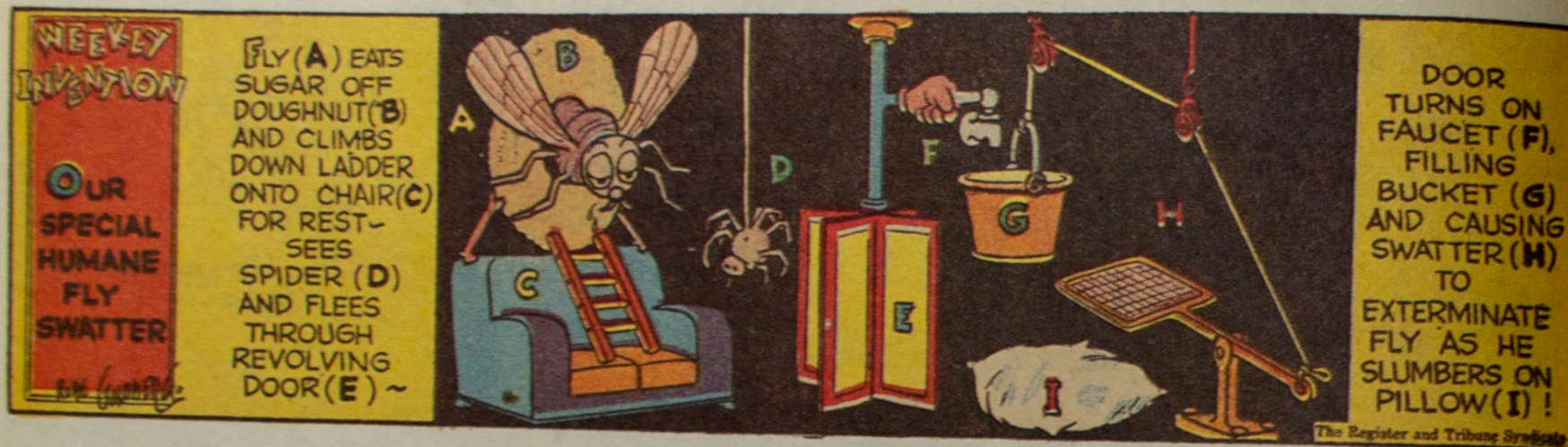


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Be sure to have your head chef (Mom or Dad) with you when making Quivers. Place a small saucepan or pot on the stove. Measure all ingredients and put them into saucepan. Turn the heat up to medium-high, and stir often until mixture boils. Continue stirring until mixture is smooth (about 1 minute). Pour mixture, all at once, into an 8-inch pie pan or similar dish. Set on counter for 30 minutes. Cover with plastic wrap. Refrigerate until cold and firm (about 5 hours). Cut using Quik Quiver cutter or knife. Makes approximately 10 servings.

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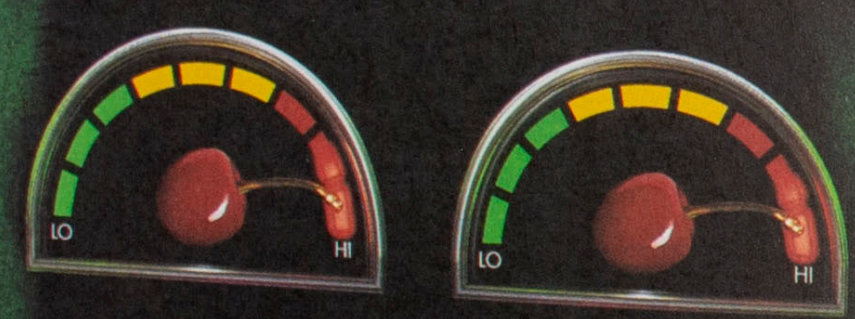
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# The Head of Ed.



As the Secretary of Education for the United States, **Richard W. Riley** (above) has a lot of people looking up to him—not only teachers and principals, but also millions of students. He's President Clinton's chief adviser on education, which means he keeps the president informed about schools, from kindergarten to college. **Robin Sayers** asked Riley about his school days.

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** What was your favorite school lunch?

**Richard Riley:** Hot dogs. Maybe someone can change hot dogs around to make them healthy.

**NM:** Do you doodle in cabinet meetings?

**RR:** Yes, I do. Actually, I usually write down ideas, rather than doodle. But I'm good at stars. And I draw people—smiling people, usually. Sometimes I draw muscle-bound people. And I can really draw a good airplane, wings and all. When I was little, I used to draw airplanes all the time. I also draw boxes and then make them into three dimensions. I enjoy that.

**NM:** Were you ever in a school play?

**RR:** Yes. It was the end of the first grade. It was a play on traffic safety, and I was a red light. My mother made

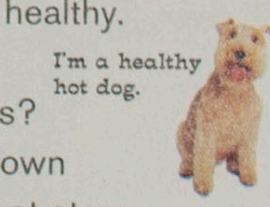
me a little black suit with a little red dot in the middle. I was very nervous. My line was this: "I'm a red light/As you can see/And you better stop/When you see me." I was so nervous, I walked off the stage and threw up. It's true. I was terribly embarrassed. That was my introduction to public life. It's been better since then.

**NM:** Were you ever in student government?

**RR:** Yes. Well, I ran for everything, but I didn't always win. The first time I ran for office was for president of the student body in middle school—which we called junior high school. I lost that election. But since I've been in public life, I haven't lost an election.

**NM:** Any advice for kids who fall asleep at their desks?

**RR:** Don't watch Nickelodeon too late, and get a good night's rest.





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Videos, a T-shirt, Gak, Floam, and other great  
Nickelodeon stuff. They'll also have their  
tongue twisters printed in a future issue.



### Here's how to enter:

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Make up a tongue twister. Be sure it's hard to say fast.  
Here are some examples of tongue twisters:

"A big black bug bit a big black bear"

"A skunk sat on a stump"

"Unique New York"

A beagle bit a big  
brown bloodhound.



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Make sure that your entry is *original*. (Don't send in anything  
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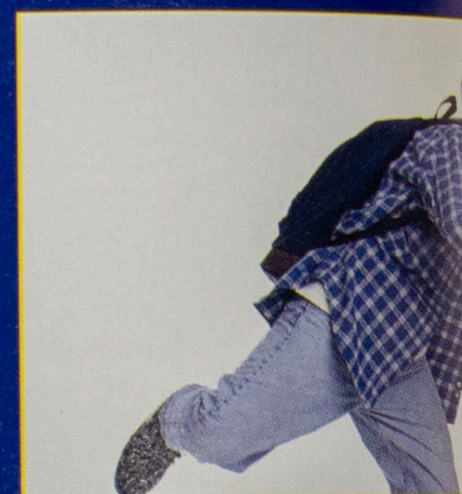
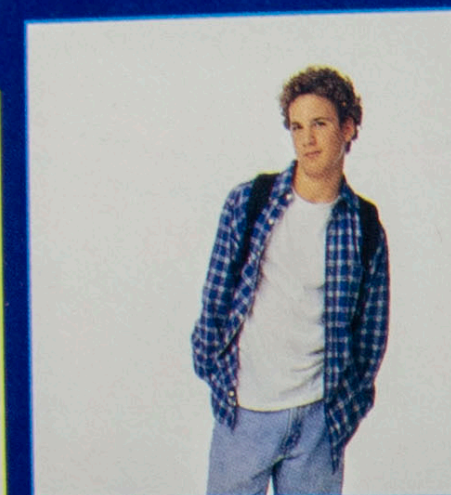
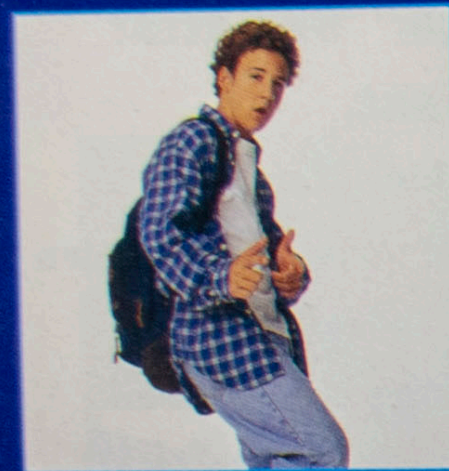
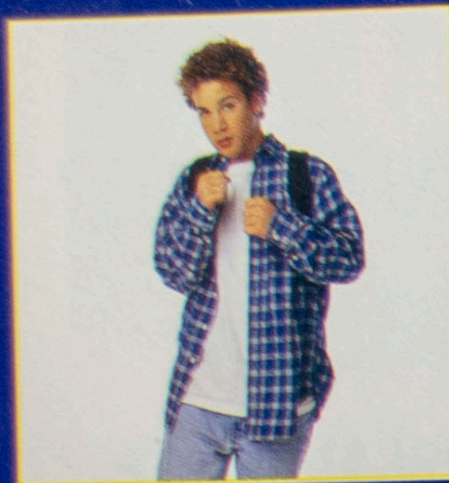
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Mail your entry by October 1, 1995, to:

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New York, NY 10036

Please include your name, address, phone number, and age with your entry. Remember,  
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# Oh, You Savage!

**Ben Savage plays Cory Matthews, a high-school student searching for life's answers, on the television show *Boy Meets World*. NICKELODEON MAGAZINE met the 14-year-old star to ask him what he's found out.**

**Nickelodeon Magazine:** How are you like Cory?

**Ben Savage:** We're interested in the same things. Also, I'm wild and energetic, and so is Cory. That's why I like playing him.

**NM:** How are you different?

**BS:** I like to have fun in school, as Cory does, but I'm also studious, and I try to get good grades. I don't think that's a really big part of Cory's life.

**NM:** What do you think Cory will end up doing when he gets older?

**BS:** Three years ago he wanted to be a baseball player. But I think he's matured beyond that. Maybe he'll be a comedian, and get his own comedy show.

**NM:** What was your most embarrassing moment on the set?

**BS:** For one episode, I had to walk around in a tight little wrestler outfit, and everybody on the set laughed at me.

**NM:** Would you ever wear one again?

**BS:** Only if someone paid me.

**NM:** Is there anything special you do before a performance?

**BS:** The whole cast gathers backstage in a circle right before the show. We put our hands in the middle and scream as loudly as we can for five seconds. We do that

before every show, and it always brings good luck.

**NM:** Do you have any good luck charms?

**BS:** My mom is my good luck charm. When I'm filming the show, I need her to be there. When she's not at the show, I always think I do badly.

**NM:** Are you tutored on the set?

**BS:** I am, but I also go back to real school in Illinois when we aren't taping the show.

**NM:** What are the drawbacks of being tutored on the set?

**BS:** You only spend three hours a day on school. A lot of people might think that's great, but when you go back to regular school, you're behind in your work.

**NM:** What was your first acting role?

**BS:** I did a commercial for a drug store when I was five years old. I just had to sit by a pool and smile and wave. It was such a big deal for me, and made me very happy.

**NM:** Do you want to keep on acting?

**BS:** Yup! I want to be an actor, a writer, a producer, a director, and an author. I want to write novels, movie scripts, and TV shows.

**NM:** How is your bedroom at home decorated?

**BS:** It's a very simple room—just black and white. When I'm older and have my own room, I'm going to have a huge bedroom. My fantasy bedroom would have two beds—one waterbed and one regular. I'd have a TV (I don't have one now), and a lot of lights. There'd be a Jacuzzi.



And I want a bark-o-lounger.

**NM:** How many brothers and sisters do you have?

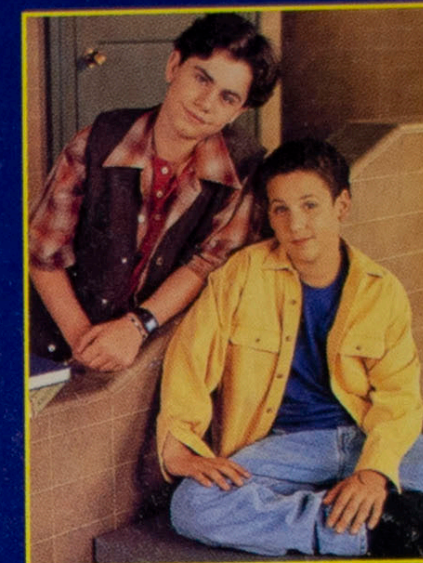
**BS:** I have a sister and a brother. [Ben's brother is Fred Savage, who starred in *The Wonder Years*.]

**NM:** Do you get along better with your real brother, Fred, or your TV brother, Eric?

**BS:** Probably my real brother, Fred. Anyway, if I don't choose him, he'll kill me.

**NM:** Which brother gives you better presents?

**BS:** Fred, because he buys stuff. Eric isn't the kind of guy who buys presents. He'd be more likely to spend the money on a girl.... By the way, I'd just like to share something interesting with your readers: The tomato is a fruit, not a vegetable. I just thought your readers should know.



**MEET HIS WORLD:** (clockwise from top left) The cast of *Boy Meets World*; Cory and best pal Shawn (Rider Strong); Cory sitting pretty with friend Topanga (Danielle Fishel); Cory and Shawn get an earful from Cory's brother, Eric (Will Friedle).



P.S.

Full name: Bennett Joseph Savage

Favorite TV shows: *Mad About You* and *Seinfeld*

Favorite sport: Tennis

Favorite pro team: The Chicago Bulls

Favorite color: Black

Favorite movies: *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*, *Dances with Wolves*, and *Stealing Home*

Favorite band: Hootie & the Blowfish

Best Halloween costume: "Opera Man" from *Saturday Night Live*

Least favorite vegetable: Zucchini

Crunchy peanut butter or smooth? Crunchy

Pizza or ice cream? Pizza, with mushrooms, onions, and olives



# Bouncing Burgers

We caught up with some Hollywood stars at Nickelodeon's 8th Annual Kids' Choice Awards and surprised them with a pop quiz about school. R



**Raven-Symone**  
(Nicole Lee on *Hangin' with Mr. Cooper*)

Which do you like better: being tutored on the lot, or regular school? I like my regular school in Atlanta better, because I

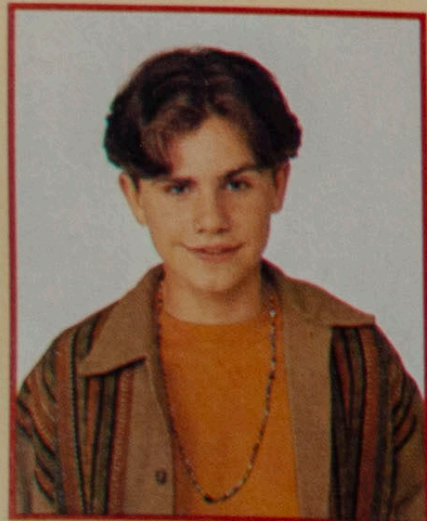
have all my friends there. I think being tutored is easier, because I don't have to raise my hand.

What do you like to do at recess? Sometimes I go and stand by the teacher so I can be first in line!

**Rider Strong** (Shawn on *Boy Meets World*)

What is the worst thing about school on the set? It's harder. You never get a break—you're either doing school, or you're acting.

What is the best thing about school on the set? The individual attention. Usually it's only one teacher and two students, so you learn a lot faster, and a lot more.



**Tionne "T-Boz" Watkins**  
(TLC)

What was your favorite subject when you were in school? Biology.

What was your favorite thing to do during recess? I always played kickball.

What was your favorite hot lunch when you were in school? Pizza, vegetable sticks, and a sugar cookie. I used to ask everyone for their cookie.



**Tia and Tamera Mowry** (Tia Landry and Tamera Campbell on *Sister, Sister*)

What are your favorite subjects? Tia: English, because we love to read. Our favorite books are *To Kill A Mockingbird* and *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*.

Do you prefer packed or hot lunches? Tia: Packed, because we despise cafeteria lunches. One week I'll pack them, and the next week Tamera will pack them.

Tamera: We usually have the same lunch, though: a ham and cheese sandwich, a Moon Pie, a fruit drink, and a piece of fruit.

Do you have nicknames at school?

Tamera: People used to call us "The Buck Twins" or "Buckwheat," because before we had braces, we had buck teeth.

**Natalia Cigliuti**  
(Lindsay Warner on *Saved By the Bell: The New Class*)



Have you ever been caught passing notes?

Yes, many times. They got read in front of the class, which is embarrassing, especially when the boy you're writing about is in the class!

**Lacey Chabert** (Claudia Salinger on *Party of Five*)

What was your favorite field trip? We went to the La Brea Tar Pits [in Los Angeles, California] with my tutor. I was just amazed.

What was the worst lunch your school served? Once I dropped my hamburger, and it literally bounced on the floor.



Wish I had been there.

Helped Tim with speech. Told him to pick a topic he enjoys. Tim picked mountain bikes. We had a bowl of my delicious cereal. Took Tim his favorite cereal, Cap'n Crunch. He's not sure about giving a speech to his class. Sent blue suit to cleaners.

Tim's speech is getting better. Got him to imagine his audience in their underwear. So he wouldn't be so nervous. Brought Tim 2 more boxes of crunch. He loves that sweet crunchy taste!

Tim can't wait to give speech. Maybe all he needed was to crunch up his confidence. Cleaned my room. Have to stop eating my cereal in bed.

Tim's speech was terrific! Got from app. to class. I knew he could do it. Weekend! Time to go to national speed box race!

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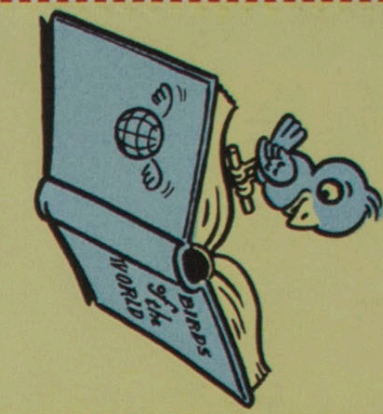
# BOOKMARKS

By David Lewman

Cut along the dotted lines and you'll have six bookmarks to mark your place and make you laugh.



Where do birds go in the fall?



Beak to school.

Where does slime go in the fall?

Blech to school.

Why did the chicken get straight A's?

Because she did an egg-cellent job!



Why did the baker go back to school?



To further his bread-ucation.

How'd he do? He made the honor roll.



Why did Marsha hold up her left foot and hop to school?

She wanted to start the school year on the right foot.

Why did Marsha bring her father to school? She heard there was going to be a pop quiz.

Why did John leave school to buy lunch and a movie ticket for his pencil?



Because his teacher said, "Take out your pencil!"

What is Spider-Man's favorite book in the school library?

Web-ster's Dictionary.

What's black and white and red all over? Your paper, after the teacher marks it.



## Silly structures

by Stacey Bowers



If you think she's big, you should see the peanuts she eats!

You'd never forget a visit to Lucy, the Margate Elephant. She's made of wood and metal, is as tall as a six-story building, and weighs 90 tons. Lucy was built by James V. Lafferty in 1881. Lafferty wanted to sell some property on the New Jersey shore, so he built the giant pachyderm in the city of Margate to attract people to his land.

Once she was completed, Lafferty would auction off his property while standing 65 feet high in her "howdah" (the carriage on an elephant's back).

Lafferty sold the eye-catching elephant to the Gertzen family in 1887. They named her Lucy, and turned her into a tourist attraction, charging people 10 cents for a tour.

In 1902, a family leased Lucy as a summer home. They converted the inside into four bedrooms, a dining room, a kitchen, and a parlor. Since then, Lucy has also been used as a restaurant, a dance hall, an ice-cream parlor, a children's library, and a bathhouse.

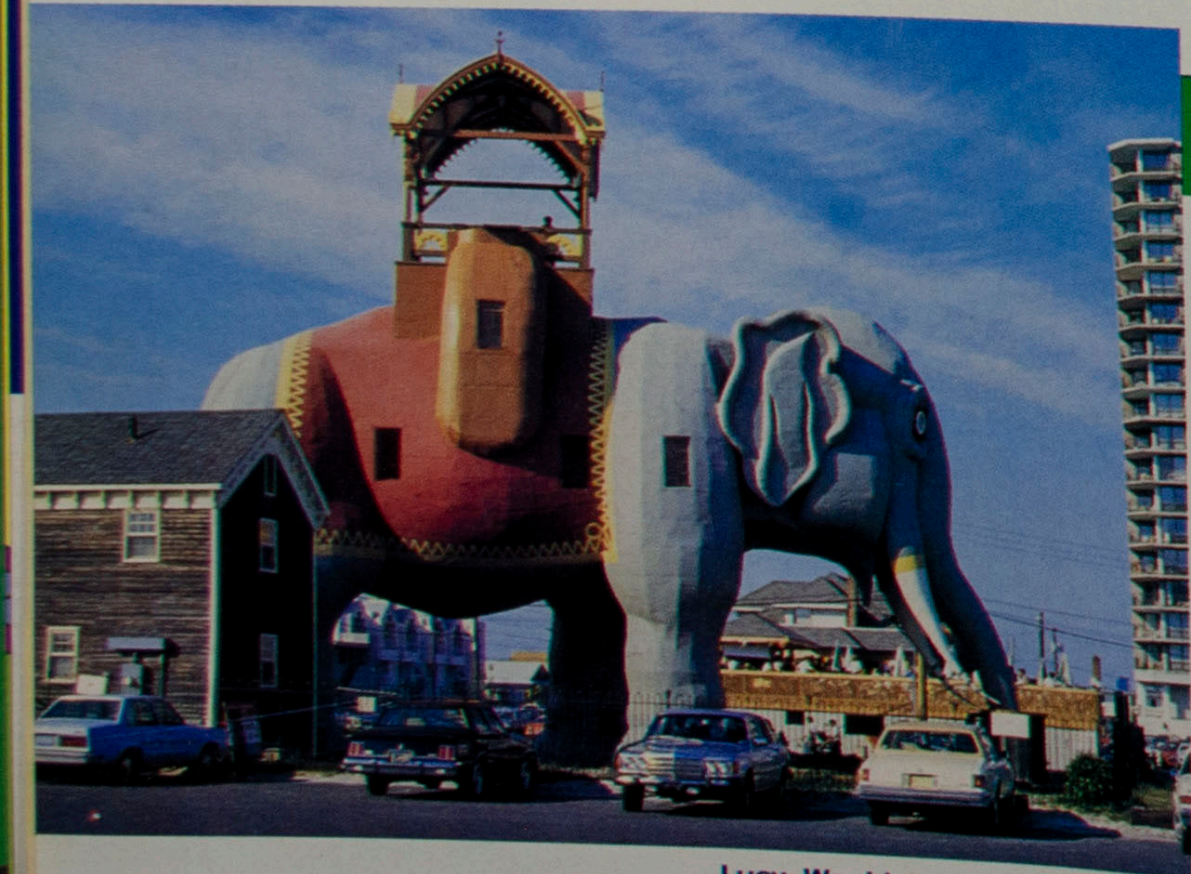
Lucy has withstood many hardships. During a storm in 1903, Lucy sank to her knees in the sand and had to be dug out. She survived a hurricane in 1944 that devastated the coast of New Jersey.

In 1970, the Gertzens donated Lucy to the city of Margate. A high-rise was planned on Lucy's spot, so the Save Lucy Committee was formed to rescue her. On July 20, 1970, a pickup truck pulled Lucy two blocks to her present site. Thousands of people gathered to watch.

In 1976, Lucy was proclaimed a National Historic Landmark.

### HOW LUCY MEASURES UP:

- Legs: 22 feet high and 10 feet in diameter.
- Eyes: 18 inches in diameter.
- Ears: 17 feet long by 10 feet wide; each ear weighs about 2000 pounds.
- Pieces of wood used to build her: almost a million.
- Amount of tin used: 12,000 square feet (exactly one-fourth the size of a football field).



Lucy: Would a car fit in her trunk?



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Where do deer go in the fall?

Buck to school.

Where do fish go in the fall?

Nowhere special—they're always in school.



Why did the cow's brother keep getting in trouble at school?

Because he was a bully.



Why did John bring his sister Joyce, his cousin Joyce, and his Aunt Joyce to school?



He heard there was going to be a multiple-Joyce test.

Why did Marsha put her notebook in the washing machine?

Because her teacher kept asking her to take out a clean sheet of paper.

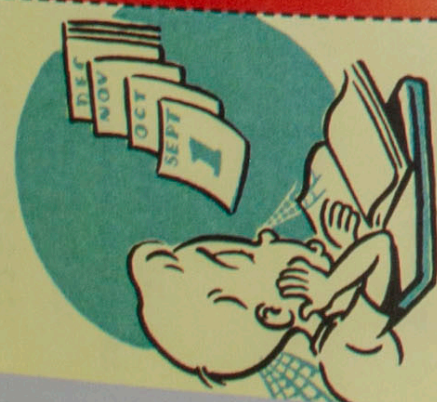
Why did John lay his head down on his desk?

Because his teacher told him to keep his eyes on his own paper.



What's the difference between the first day of school and the last day of school?

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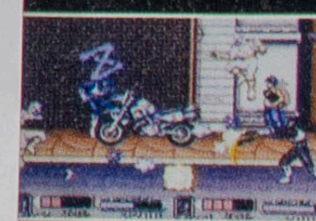
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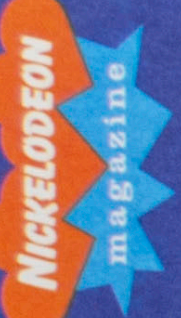
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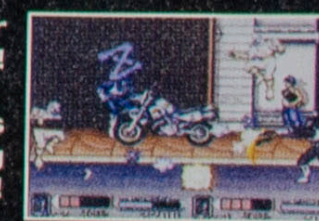
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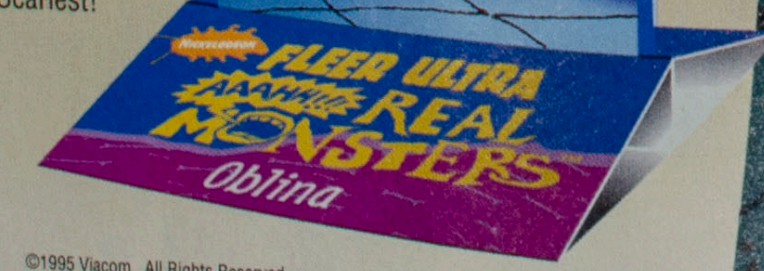
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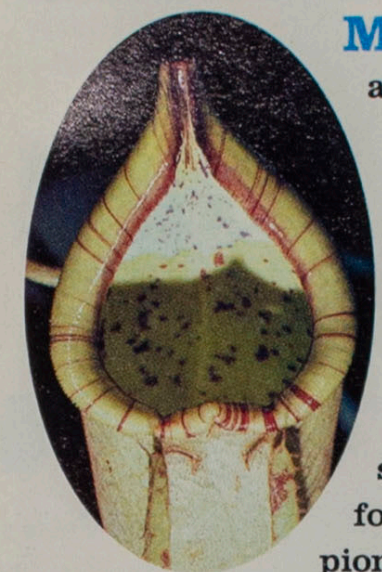
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## Monkeycups

also known as: *Nepenthes* (neh-PEN-theez) or Tropical Pitcher Plant.

**What they are:** Monkeycups are meat-eating vines that catch and digest insects. They usually eat ants, cockroaches, and wasps, but some monkeycups have been found containing centipedes, scorpions, small mammals, and reptiles.

**How they do it:** Monkeycups grow bulb-shaped containers called "pitchers" on the end of their leaves. Nectar under the lid of the pitcher attracts hungry insects. While looking for food, the bugs sometimes slip on the waxy inner walls. They fall down into the pitcher and drown in water at the bottom.

**How big are monkeycups?** The entire plant can be from 1.5 feet to 65 feet tall. Some pitchers are so tiny that a pea would block the opening. Others are so large that they can hold more than a pint of water.

**Where do they grow?** The humid tropics of Asia and the South Pacific. Other types of meat-eating pitcher plants grow in the United States.

**Neat Party Trick:** They will digest the shell and the white of a hard-boiled egg if it is fed to them.



Stop monkeycupping around.

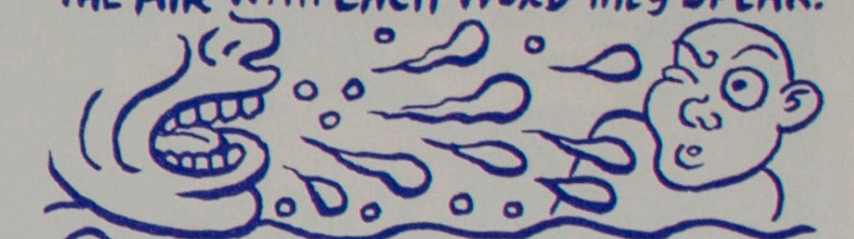


# REVOLTING BUT TRUE FACTS

by Ruth Lindy and Saun Ellis

**Q**UONG ONE SPECIES OF TERMITE, THE QUEEN HAS AN ABDOMEN THAT WEIGHS 2500 TIMES THE WEIGHT OF THE REST OF HER BODY.

**H**UMANS SPRAY AN AVERAGE OF 2.5 DROPS OF SALIVA INTO THE AIR WITH EACH WORD THEY SPEAK.



**W**HEN TOADS MOLT, THEY SHED THE SKIN OFF THEIR BODIES AND EAT IT.



**T**HE SLOTH IS A TREE-DWELLING MAMMAL THAT LIVES IN TROPICAL FORESTS. DURING THE RAINY SEASON, GREEN ALGAE GROW IN ITS FUR.

**T**HE MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES IN BOZEMAN, MONTANA, DISPLAYS TWO PIECES OF FOSSILIZED DINOSAUR POOP. THEY MEASURE ABOUT TEN INCHES LONG AND WEIGH ABOUT TWENTY POUNDS EACH.







# Episode 12

# Back to School Special

RUFFING IT

Featuring

Zelda Van Gutters, NICKELODEON MAGAZINE's Roving Reporter

**1** Zelda meets with private detective Shep Muttonchops. She asks him to come to her obedience school reunion.



**2** Zelda tells Shep her tail of woe.



**3** The night of the reunion, Zelda catches up with her old canine classmates.



**4** Zelda runs into Miss Primly, the headmistress, who nearly booted her out of school three years ago.



**5** A few minutes later, Zelda runs into Pugsy and his new wife, Lola LaPouffe.



**6** Later on, while the dogs shake their tails to the sounds of The Beagles, Pugsy sneaks off to the voting booth.



**7** Miss Primly announces the winner of the "Most Admired Student" election.



**8** After Shep shows the videotape of Pugsy stealing the election, Miss Primly sets the record straight.





# Go home news

"No Ooze is Bad Ooze"

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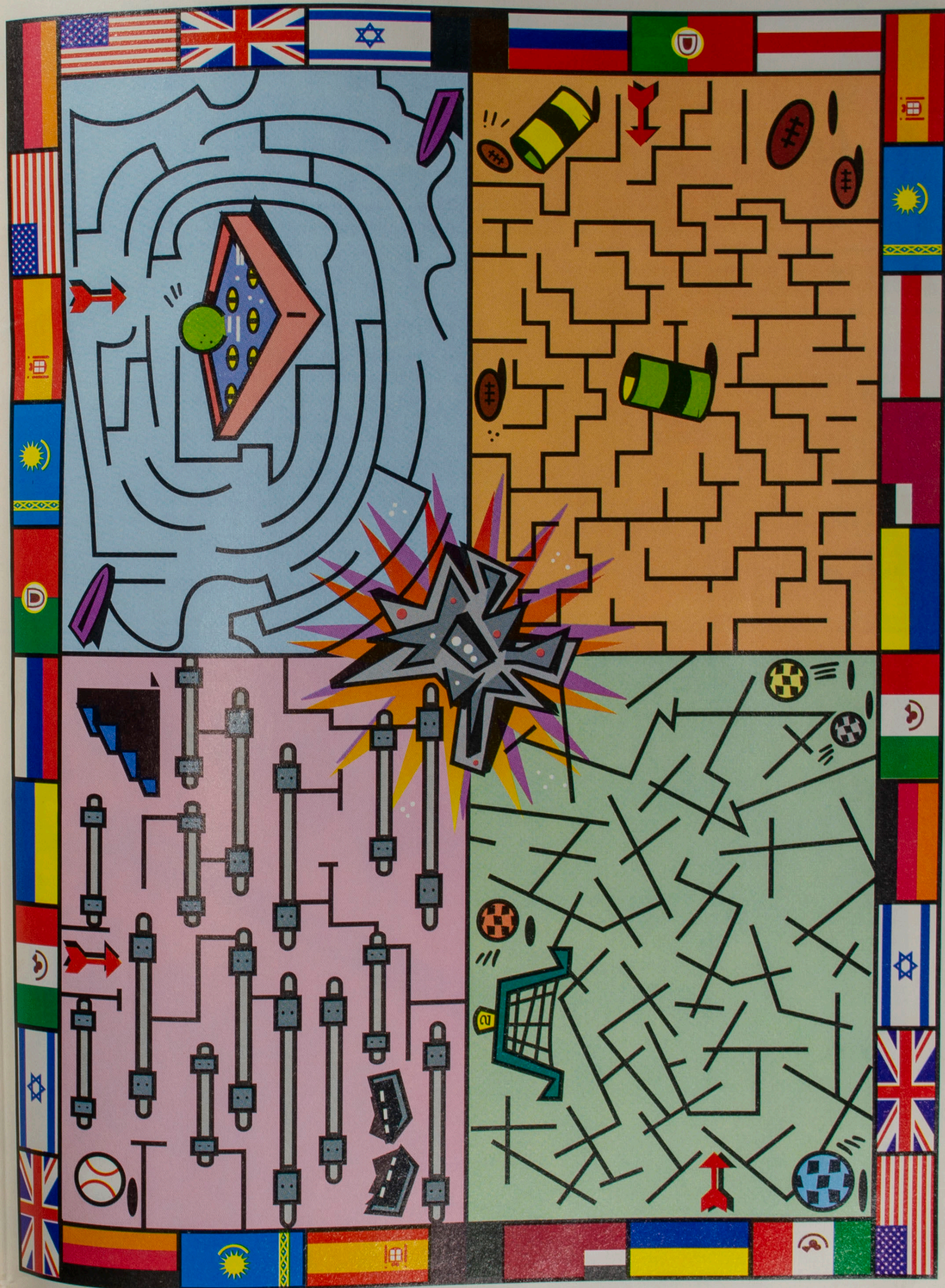
## GLOBAL GUTS: DO YOU HAVE IT?

*GUTS* has gone international with *Global GUTS*—an Olympics-style competition just for kids. Ninety-six kids from 12 different countries will come together at Nickelodeon Studios in Orlando, Florida, to compete in track, field, water, and aerial events. You can follow the athletes' progress over the course of the competition, from the first to the final events. *Global GUTS* airs Monday through Friday at 4:30 PM (Eastern Standard Time) from September 4 to October 4.

Compete at home with this *Global GUTS* maze. You can play alone or with friends. To play alone: Choose one maze, and start at the red arrow. See how quickly you can get to the Mega-Crag in the center. To play with friends: Each person picks a different maze. Start at the same time, and the first person to reach the Mega-Crag wins. Good luck!

The countries competing in *Global GUTS* are:

U.K.	U.S.	Germany	Portugal	Spain	Mexico	Israel	Ukraine	Russia	Kazakhstan	Georgia	Belarus
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# Ask The BOSS LADY

Where you ask the president of Nickelodeon, Geraldine B. Laybourne, anything you want.



Which Nickelodeon character are you most like? I'm not sure if I'm exactly like any of them, but if you were trying to cook me up, here's a simple recipe:

- 1/2 pint of Clarissa (quirky and outspoken)
- 1/2 cup of Stimpy (the loyal part, not the hairball part)
- 1 cup of Natalie Daise from *Gullah Gullah Island* (because she really loves kids)
- a pinch of Doug (because he's earnest, and tries to do what's right—also, he can't dance)
- a dash of Mom from *The Adventures of Pete and Pete*
- a bushel of Lucy Ricardo from *I Love Lucy* (I play my share of pranks.)

Do you have a favorite movie?

I love movies and go to all kinds. I especially like movies that feature kids, such as *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial*, *Home Alone*, and *Gremlins*.

Were you ever sent to the principal's office?

In my school, kids got sent to the principal's office for just about anything. My best friend once got sent for not covering her mouth when she coughed. I never had to see the principal, and it's not like I was an angel. I was just lucky!

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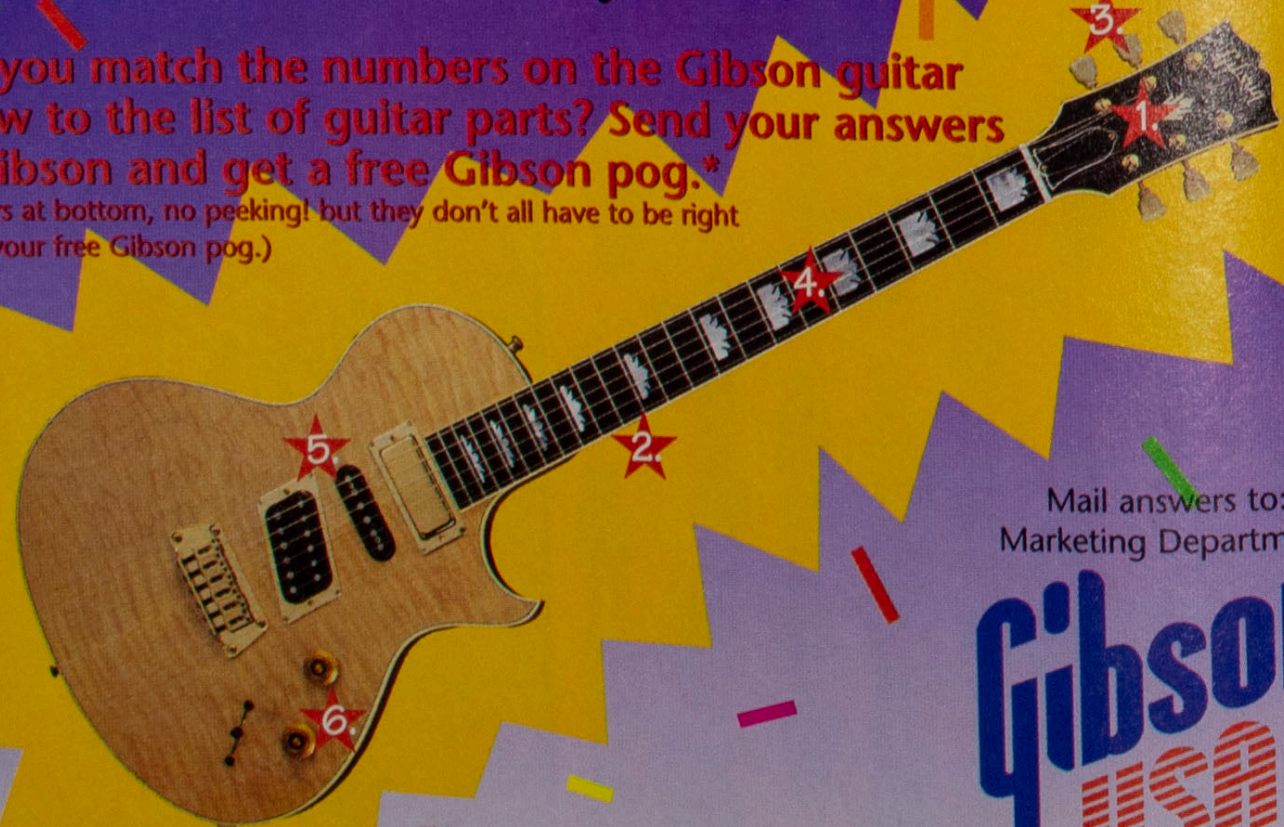
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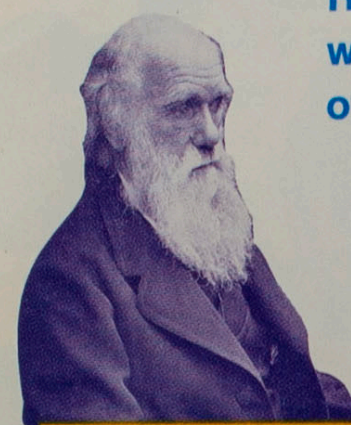
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# Least Likely To Succeed

by Brian Kaplan

Having trouble in school? Some very successful people were once told that they wouldn't make it to the head of the class, either.



## Charles Darwin

Young Charles Darwin was afraid of both the dogs he passed on the way to school and the bigger boys who wanted to beat him up once he got there. He also didn't like his classes, and preferred to gather plants, rocks, and shells in fields that were free of dogs and bullies. His father thought this was a waste of time, and said that Charles would disgrace the family. But looking at nature helped Darwin develop his famous theory of evolution, proving that sometimes you just have to answer the call of the wild.

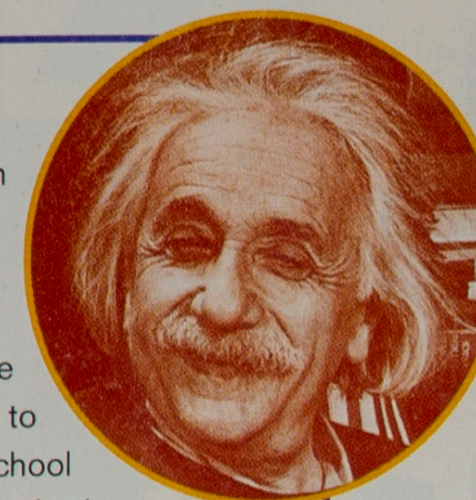


## Thomas Edison

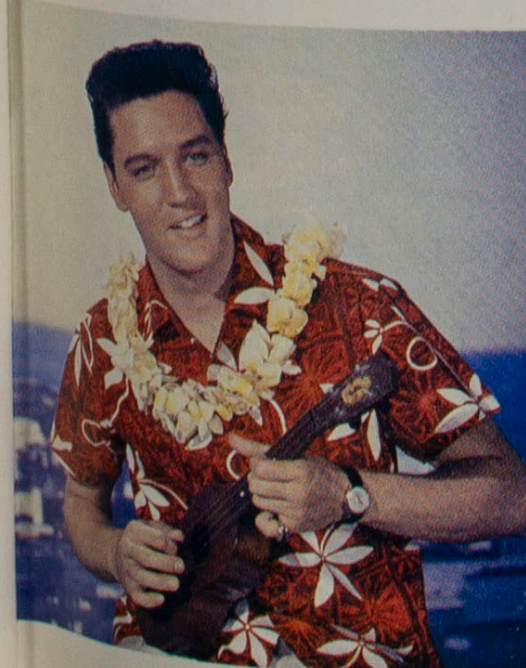
The inventor of the first practical light bulb wasn't always considered very bright. Edison left school when he was eight years old, after being there for only a few months. Severe ear infections had left him partially deaf, and the teachers mistook his hearing problem for a learning disability. His mother continued his studies at home, and Edison taught himself about chemistry and electricity. Later, Edison got his revenge on school by inventing the phonograph and the first commercially successful movie camera—two gadgets that have kept students from doing their homework for years.

## Albert Einstein

Until he was nine years old, Einstein spoke so slowly that people thought he had a learning disability. His school headmaster told Albert's parents that Einstein would never be successful. But Einstein turned out to be the only member of his high school class to go on to win the Nobel Prize in physics.



Einstein did well, relatively speaking.



## Elvis Presley

The King of Rock 'n' Roll did not exactly rule his high school. Not only did he fail music class, but he was also rejected from the Glee Club because his teacher didn't like his voice. Others felt the same way: At 18, he was turned down for a church gospel quartet. And the next year, when he played Nashville's Grand Ole Opry, a booking agent told him that he should go back to driving a truck.



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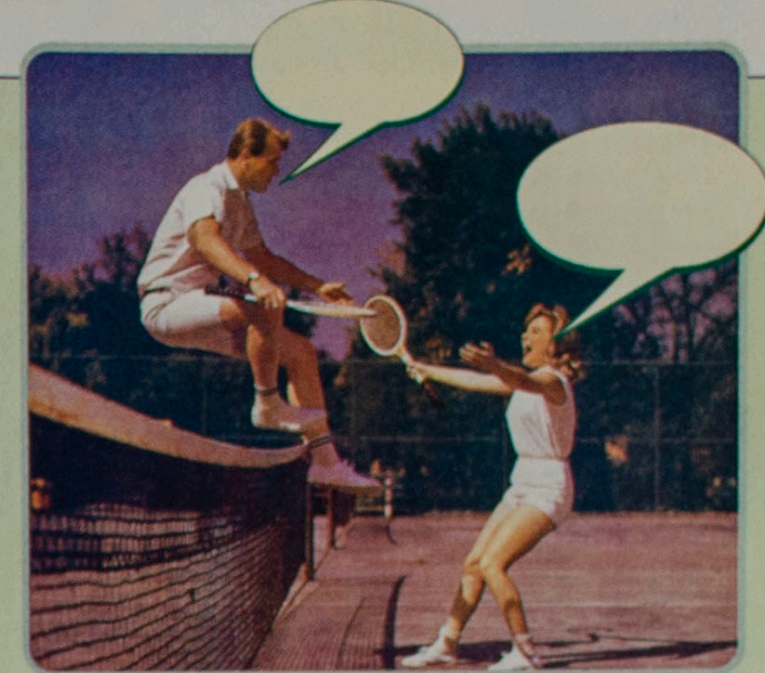
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# Whatever You Want

## Say What?

From the April/May issue:



We asked you to tell us what these two people are saying to each other. Here are our favorite entries:

**MAN:** Help me! Something's pulling me toward you!

**WOMAN:** I knew I shouldn't have had that magnet put in my head!

Robert A., age 10  
Alhambra, California

**MAN:** Honey, I climbed the highest mountain, swam the deepest sea, got burned crossing the desert...

**WOMAN:** Wouldn't it have been easier to go around the net?

Gabriel R., age 12  
Jersey City, New Jersey

**MAN:** Whoa!

**WOMAN:** Is my breath that bad?

Jenny K., age 12  
Douglasville, Georgia

**MAN:** I have to confess—I am not really Mark from Peoria. I am Prince Nzymp from Planet Galgor in the Hattered Galaxy.

**WOMAN:** Oh! Mother will be so happy to know that I married royalty!

Melanie J., age 11  
Seward, Nebraska

**MAN:** Wow, these zero-gravity invisible toilets really do work, honey!

**WOMAN:** Oh! I knew it. I'm so excited. We'll be rich. Hurry, get down and let me try!

Matt H., age 13  
Magnolia, Delaware

## Spacey Song Contest Results

In the April/May issue, we asked you to write lyrics for a song honoring a planet or something else in outer space. Here are the contest winners and honorable mentions. The three winners each received Nickelodeon Videos and other great Nickelodeon stuff.

### Winners

**The Planet Song**  
(sung to the tune of "Twinkle Twinkle, Little Star")

Mercury, Mercury, you're closest to the sun,  
You could toast a burger bun.  
Venus, Venus, you're so hot,  
You're just like a burning pot.

Earth, Earth, the planet with life,  
It will make you shout, "All right!"  
Mars, Mars, you're really red,  
You must be a big hot head.

Jupiter, Jupiter, you're so big,  
Are you made of a fig?

Saturn, Saturn, I love your rings,  
I wonder if they're made of beans.

Uranus, Uranus, you spin on your side,  
I guess you have a crazy mind.  
I know this song is really weird,  
But think if Neptune grew a beard.

Pluto, Pluto, I think you're swell,  
But do the planets call you Mel?

Chad M., age 11  
Knob Lick, Kentucky



### How Much is That Martian in the Window

(sung to the tune of "How Much is That Doggie in the Window")

How much is that Martian in the window?  
(doing doing)  
The one with the wiggly ears.  
How much is that Martian in the window?  
(doing doing)  
He fills all my heart with pure cheer.

How much is that moon rock in the window?  
(crush crush)  
The one with the shimmering glow.  
How much is that moon rock in the window?  
(crush crush)  
I really, really need to know.

How much is that comet in the window?  
(whoosh whoosh)  
The one with astonishing speed.  
How much is that comet in the window?  
(whoosh whoosh)  
The comet that I really need.

Rachel H., age 9  
Clearwater, Florida

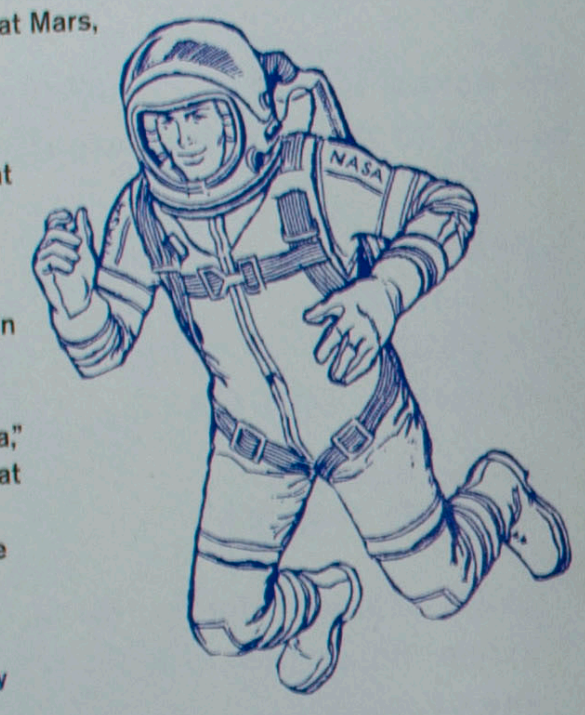
### Mars

(sung to the tune of "Twinkle Twinkle, Little Star")

When I look up at Mars,  
I always think of chocolate bars!  
With their rich, yummy taste,  
All they need is marshmallow paste!  
So when I look up at Mars,  
I always think of chocolate bars!

The other thing that  
could be in Mars,  
Would probably be  
movie stars!  
They would swim in  
a lava spa,  
And every night  
they'd sing "la-la-la,"  
The other thing that  
could be in Mars,  
Would probably be  
movie stars!

Casie W., age 11  
Holmdel, New Jersey



### Honorable Mentions

#### Space Voyage

(sung to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Float, float, float around  
In zero-grav-i-ty  
Take a trip inside your ship  
And look what you can see.

Fly, fly, to the moon  
Put moon rocks in a can  
Take your ship and fly to Mars  
And meet an alien.

Fly, fly, back to Earth  
And bring your Martian friend  
Now that we are back to Earth  
This song is at its end.

Cosmo S., age 13  
Zanesville, Ohio

#### The Asteroid Belt

(sung to the tune of "Twinkle Twinkle, Little Star")

The asteroid belt is what it's called,  
Filled with socks and paper balls,  
Banana peels and pizza crust,  
Shells from eggs and other things that bust.  
It's amazing how those things float in space,  
And don't run into another place.

Ashley B., age 9  
Dallas, Texas

#### Ode To Stars

(sung to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Stars are really far  
Out in space  
When you look up in the sky,  
They're all over the place.

Stars come in many shades,  
From orange to blue  
Some are hot and some are cold,  
Though hot-ter than you.

Balls of hydrogen  
Showing off their powers  
For their light to reach the earth,  
It takes many an hour.

So when you look up  
At the night's black sky,  
Think of the trip it took  
Just to reach your eye.

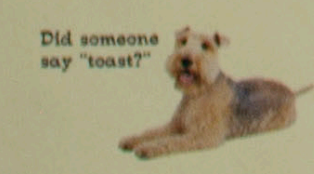
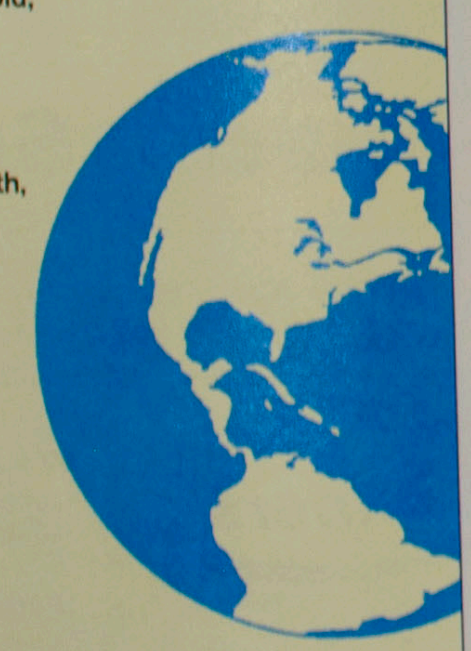
Amanda C., age 12  
Bridget T., age 12  
Rochester, New York

#### Burn Large Meteor

(sung to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat")

Burn, burn, burn large meteor  
Burn into the sun  
Quickly, quickly, quickly, quickly  
Life is toasted fun.

David N., age 10  
New Ringgold, Pennsylvania



Did someone say "toast?"

## Face To Face

Take a good look at the boy on the left. He grew up to be one of the famous men on the right. Can you guess which one he is? Answer on page 63. **R**



Troy Aikman  
football player



Axl Rose  
singer



Chuck Norris  
actor



He's Top Dog.

## Dear Alien



I'm QZ and I'm from the planet Zittiz. I know everything under, over, and inside the sun. So ask me a question, and I'll give you a real down-to-Earth answer.

Dear QZ:  
You say you're smart. But are you smart enough to identify cafeteria food?  
Brad S.  
Columbia, South Carolina

Brad:  
I'm so smart that I know not to go anywhere near cafeteria food.

Dear QZ:  
Why do stars twinkle?  
Nicholas C.  
Brooklyn, New York

Nicholas:  
Because if they twinkled, it would be raining all the time.

Dear QZ:  
Is there a 10th planet, and what does it look like?  
Matt A.  
Boring, Oregon

Matt:  
I've got news for you. Boring, Oregon, is the 10th planet.

Dear QZ:  
Have you ever thought of going on Jeopardy?  
Sean C.  
Brocton, New York

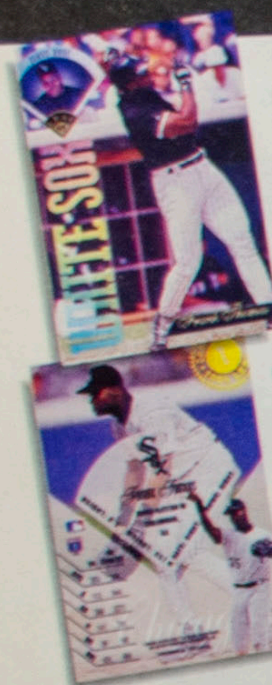
Sean:  
What is, "No, because I can never remember to phrase answers in the form of a question?"

Do you have a question for QZ?  
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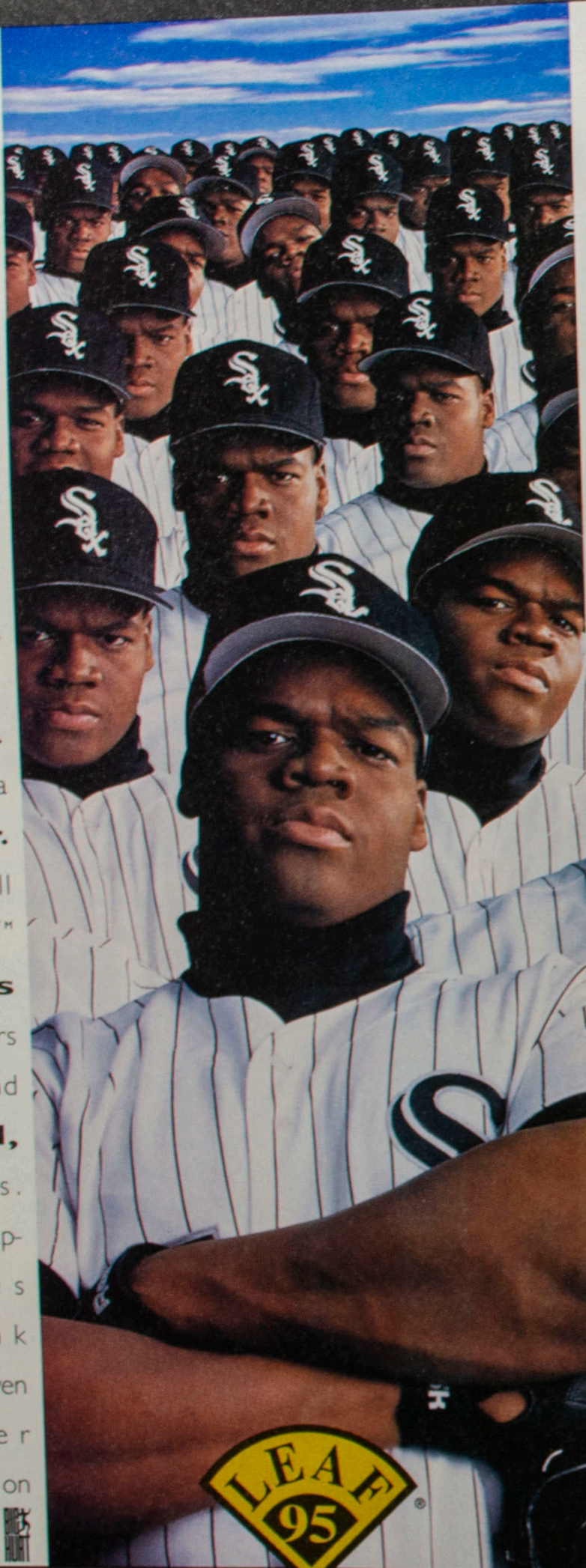
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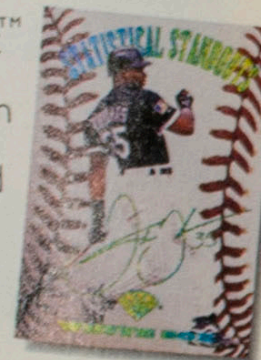
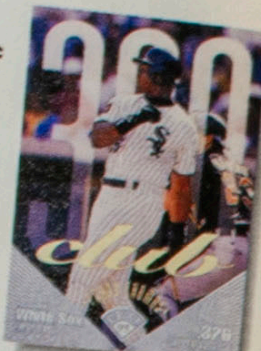
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## Whatever We Want

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## Are You A Fool For School?

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1-F, 2-T, 3-T, 4-F, 5-F, 6-T, 7-T, 8-F, 9-T, 10-F, 11-F, 12-T, 13-F, 14-F, 15-F, 16-T, 17-F, 18-T, 19-T, 20-F.

## Doubletalk

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"Teammates eat meat" is not a palindrome.

What about "ruff fur"?



## Global Guts Maze

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**Face To Face** (Page 61) The boy in the picture is Troy Aikman.

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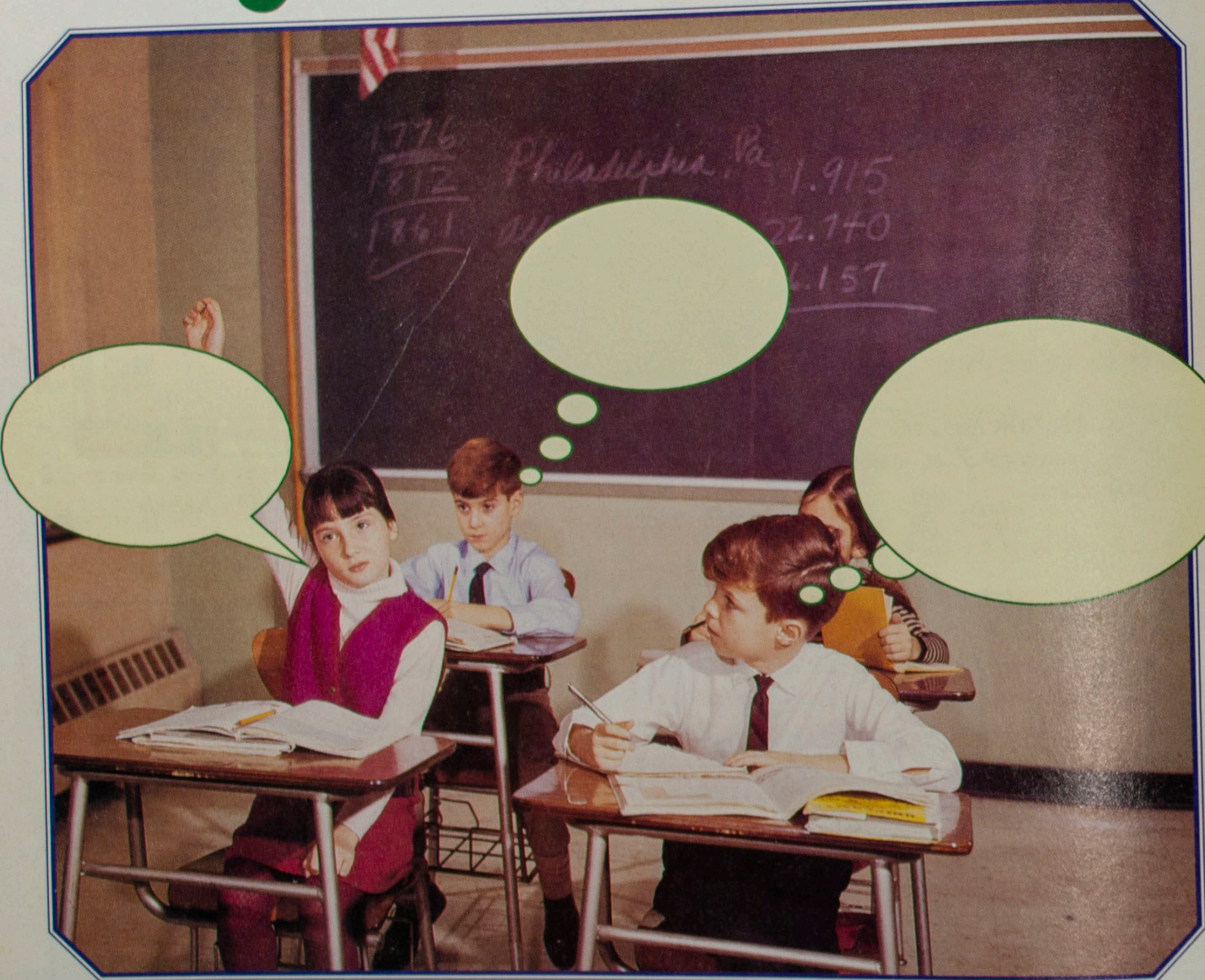
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FOR YOU & YOUR FRIENDS

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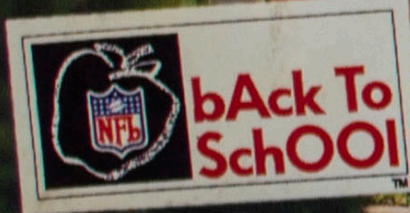
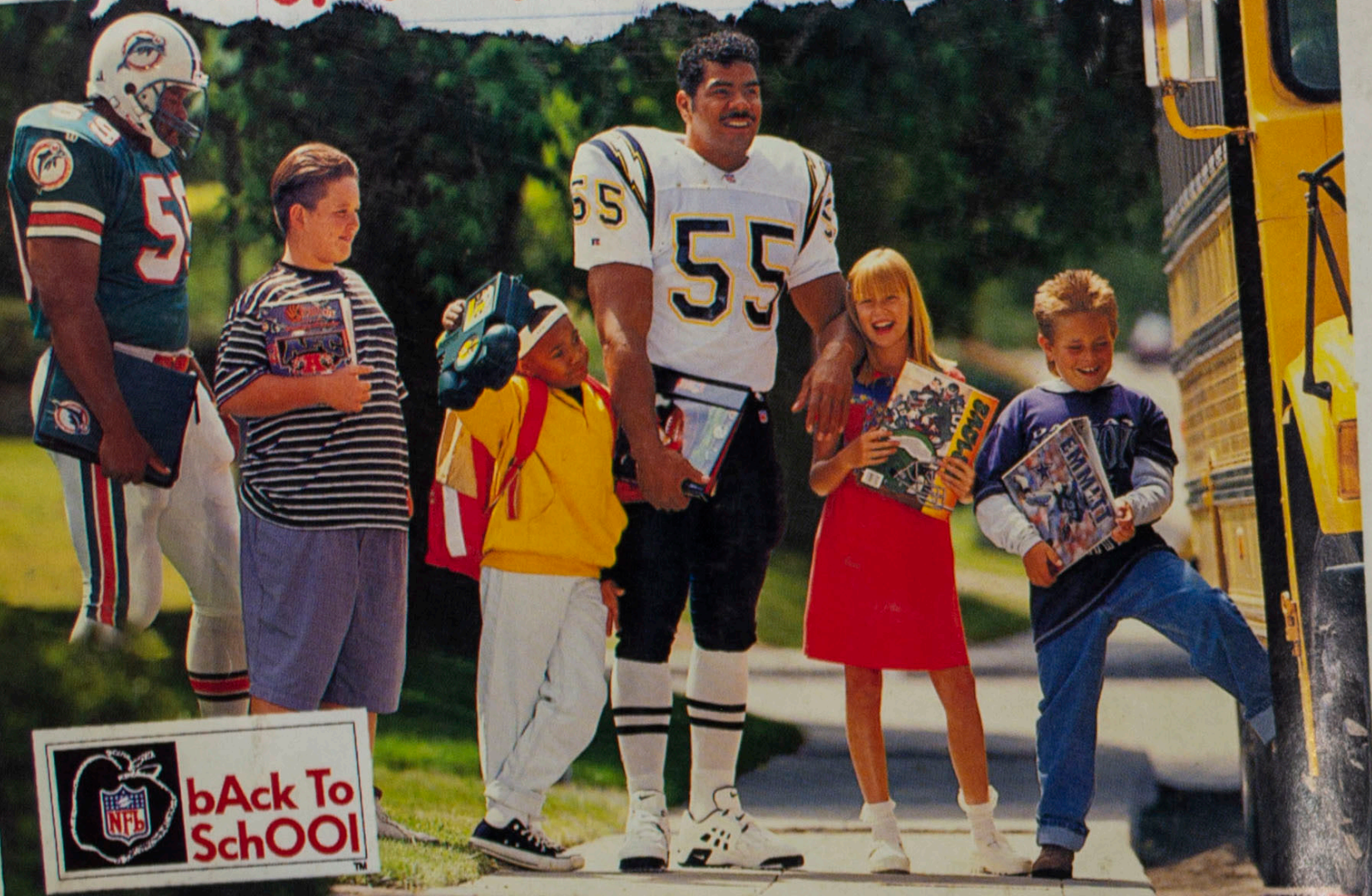
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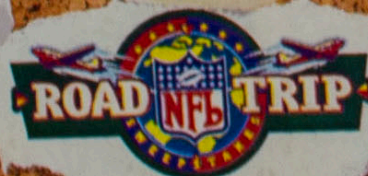


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